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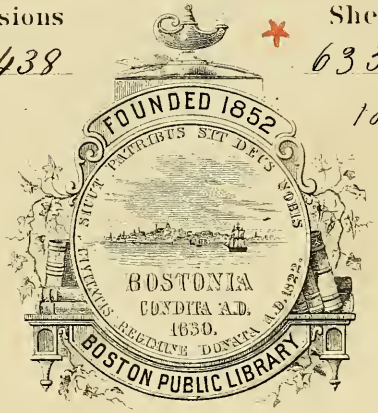

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PROCEEDINGS

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

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IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Jan. 11, 1875.

A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, on Monday, the eleventh day of January, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M., by order of His Honor the Mayor, for the purpose of the organization of the Board for the present municipal year. Hon. Samuel C. Cobb, President of the Board in the chair.

At the request of the President, prayer was offered by the Rev. Mr. Seymour. Prayer.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Brown, that a committee of three be appointed to collect the certificates of election. Certificates of election collected.

The Chair appointed as that committee, Messrs. Brown, Williams and Norton; who proceeded, and reported the names of the persons from the various wards whose certificates they had received, with the terms of service, respectively, for which they were elected, as follows: — Report of committee.

For one year. — Ward 2, Augustus Andrews.

For two years. — Ward 4, Francis C. Gray; Ward 6, Abby W. May; Ward 9, Adams K. Tolman; Ward 11, Lucretia Crocker; Ward 14, Lucia M. Peabody; Ward 15, John B. Walker.

For three years. — Ward 1, Willard S. Allen, Warren Fletcher; Ward 2, John J. Gillespie; Ward 3, Patrick F. Lyndon; Ward 4, Alonzo Boothby, Lucretia P. Hale; Ward 5, Edward J. Jenkins; Ward 6, John Parkman, James T. Still; Ward 7, J. H. O'Neil, Michael J. Green; Ward 8, George N. Thomson, Wil-

liam H. Newcomb; Ward 9, Edward P. Wilbur, Katherine G. Wells; Ward 10, George F. Bigelow, Charles P. Gorely; Ward 11, William H. Learnard, Jr., Stephen G. Deblois; Ward 12, George A. Thayer, John H. Locke; Ward 13, Thomas H. Lynch; Ward 14, Joel Seaverns, Robert G. Seymour; Ward 15, George M. Hobbs, Samuel Tuckerman; Ward 16, William P. Leavitt, Mary J. S. Blake; Ward 17, Francis B. Beaumont, Charles L. Mills; Ward 19, James H. Rice; Ward 21, Thomas Gaffney; Ward 22, William H. Miller.

The report was accepted.

Secretary chosen.

On motion of Mr. Ordway, the Chair appointed a committee of three, — viz.: Messrs. Ordway, Porter of Ward 2, and Deblois, — to collect the ballots for the choice of Secretary.

The committee proceeded to that duty, and reported that the whole number of ballots was 90; and that they were all for Mr. Barnard Capen, — who was accordingly declared elected.

Salary of Secretary.

Upon motion of Mr. Learnard, the Board voted that the salary of the Secretary be for the ensuing year $2,000.

Upon motion of Mr. Allen, of Ward 1: —

Rules and Regulations adopted.

Ordered, That the Rules of the School Committee and Regulations of the Public Schools of the last year be adopted as the Rules and Regulations for the present year.

Standing Committees appointed.

The Chair then appointed the committees of the Board for the year, as follows: —

Elections. — Messrs. Willard, Curtis, Fitzgerald, Williamson, J. H. Gray, Hobbs, Hayden.

Rules and Regulations. — Messrs. Kneeland, Fraser, Reynolds, Baldwin, Seaverns, Hobbs, J. S. Greene.

Salaries. — Messrs. Brown, Washburn, William T. Adams, J. H. Gray, Marden, Plummer, Murphy.

Accounts. — Messrs. Merrill, Learnard, Ricker, Slade, W. P. Adams, Wilbur, Moseley.

Text Books. — Messrs. Hutchins, Flint, Fallon, Wright, Mrs. Wells, Willard, Thayer.

School Houses and School Sections. — Messrs. Noble, Jno. W. Porter, Toland, Chapin, Kinsley, Carty, Blakemore.

Music. — Messrs. Ordway, W. P. Adams, Merrill, Perkins, Neal, Chaney, Dillaway.

Printing. — Messrs. Rankin, Tucker, Wilson, O'Kane, Norton, Tilden, McDonough.

Vocal and Physical Culture and Military Drill. — Messrs. Slade, Shattuck, Tilden, Filkins, Williams, Tripp, Darling.

Drawing. — Messrs. Perkins, Brown, Underwood, Merrill, Bigelow, Thayer, Miss Peabody.

Evening Schools. — Messrs. Curtis, Ricker, Baldwin, W. S. Allen, Williams, Wilson, Leavitt.

Schools for Licensed Minors. — Messrs. Cruft, Fennelly, Deblois, Moran, Tilden.

School for Deaf Mutes. — Messrs. Ira Allen, Washburn, Slade, Cruft, Miss Crocker, Bigelow.

Kindergarten School. — Messrs. Baldwin, Curtis, Shattuck, Miss Hale, Reynolds, Jno. W. Porter, Parkman.

Industrial Schools. — Messrs. Wm. T. Adams, Curtis, Dillaway, Rice, Miss May, Miller, M. J. Green.

Truant Officers. — The Mayor, Messrs. Learnard, Fitzgerald, Tucker, Southworth.

Latin School. — Messrs Washburn, Williamson, Ordway, Fallon, Reynolds, Wright, Cruft, Thayer, Kneeland, Emery, Wm. T. Adams, Neal.

English High School. — Messrs. Noble, McDonough, Tilden, Toland, Kinsley, J. H. Allen, Chaney, Reynolds, Ira Allen, Moseley, Chapin, Parkman.

Normal School. — Messrs. Hutchins, Noble, Merrill, Learnard, Thayer, Kneeland, Miss Crocker.

Girls' High School. — Messrs. Flint, W. P. Adams, W. S. Allen, Ricker, Beckley, Perkins, Fitzgerald, Shattuck, Hutchins, Deblois, Miss May, Dillaway.

Roxbury High School. — Messrs. Ira Allen, Tucker, Miles, Morse, Miss Peabody, Hobbs, O'Kane.

Dorchester High School. — Messrs. Wm. T. Adams, Jno. W. Porter, Moseley, Seaverns, Leavitt, J. S. Green, Mrs. Blake.

West Roxbury High School. — Messrs. Smalley, Blakemore, Tripp, Frost, Beaumont, Mills, Tuckerman.

Brighton High School. — Messrs. Norton, Dillaway, Rice, Kneeland, Giddings, Frost, Smalley.

Charlestown High School. — Messrs. Neal, Marden, McDonald, Willard, Darling, Southworth, F. C. Gray.

Adams School District. — Messrs. Plummer, Campbell, Washburn, Noble, Dunn, W. S. Allen, Fletcher.

Andrew School District. — Messrs. J. H. Allen, Toland, W. P. Adams, Underwood, Thayer, Moseley, Locke, O'Neil.

Bigelow School District. — Messrs. W. P. Adams, Fallon, Underwood, Fennelly, J. H. Allen, Wilson, Toland, Thayer, Locke.

Bowditch School District. — Messrs. Ordway, Reynolds, Fennelly, Wm. T. Adams, Maguire, Miss Hale, Rankin, Fraser, Murphy, O'Connor, Jenkins.

Bowdoin School District. — Messrs. Curtis, Beckley, Dunn, Quinn, Williamson, Parkman, Still, Miss May, Lyndon.

Brimmer School District. — Messrs. Brown, Hutchins, Willard, Shattuck, Cruft, Chaney, Filkins, Murphy, Hayden, Tolman, Thomson.

Chapman School District. — Messrs. W. S. Allen, Plummer, Noble, Washburn, Campbell, Fletcher, Boothby.

Comins School District. — Messrs. Williams, Dillaway, Seaverns, Emery, O'Kane, Carty, Miles, Hobbs, Ira Allen, Walker, Tuckerman.

Dearborn School District. — Messrs. Morse, Ira Allen, Tucker, Emery, Seaverns, Carty, Williams, Kneeland, Lynch, Ryan, Miles.

Dorchester-Everett School District. — Messrs. Moseley, Willard, J. S. Greene, Leavitt, Mrs. Blake.

Dudley School District. — Messrs. Miles, Ira Allen, Seaverns, Kneeland, Dillaway, Emery, Miss Peabody, Williams, Walker, O'Kane.

Dwight School District. — Messrs. Learnard, Deblois, Merrill, Baldwin, Jno. W. Porter, Cruft, Chaney, J. H. Gray, Kinsley, Miss Crocker, Wilbur.

Eliot School District. — Messrs. Ricker, W. J. Porter, Slade, Fraser, McDonough, Moran, Cilley, Andrews, Gillespie, F. C. Gray.

Everett School District. — Messrs. Merrill, Deblois, Learnard, Baldwin, Kinsley, Cruft, Wright, Miss Crocker, Gorely.

Franklin School District. — Messrs. Baldwin, Learnard, Flint, J. H. Gray, Hutchins, Deblois, Wright, Bigelow, Gorely, Mrs. Wells.

Gaston School District. — Messrs. Underwood, Thayer, W. P. Adams, J. H. Allen, Fennelly, Wilson, Locke, M. J. Green.

Gibson School District. — Messrs. Moseley, Willard, J. S. Greene, Leavitt, Mrs. Blake.

Hancock School District. — Messrs. Slade, McDonough, Ricker, Fraser, W. J. Porter, Perkins, Moran, Dunn, Beckley, Andrews, Gillespie.

Harris School District. — Messrs. Wm. T. Adams, John W. Porter, W. S. Allen, Brown, Leavitt.

Lawrence School District. — Messrs. Toland, Fennelly, W. P. Adams, Fitzgerald, Thayer, Fallon, O'Neil, M. J. Green, Locke.

Lewis School District. — Messrs. Seaverns, Morse, Tucker, Dillaway, Moseley, O'Kane, Kneeland, Miles, Miss Peabody, Ryan.

Lincoln School District. — Messrs. Thayer, Underwood, W. P. Adams, Fennelly, J. H. Allen, Wilson, Locke, O'Neil.

Lowell School District. — Messrs. Hobbs, Williams, Smalley, Dillaway, Morse, Seaverns, Miles, O'Kane, Tuckerman, Ryan, Seymour.

Lyman School District. — Messrs. Washburn, Noble, W. S. Allen, Plummer, Campbell, Ricker, Fletcher.

Mather School District. — Messrs. Leavitt, Moseley, J. S. Greene, Willard, Mrs. Blake.

Mayhew School District. — Messrs. Tilden, Slade, W. J. Porter, Rankin, Beckley, Cilley, Boothby, F. C. Gray, Lyndon.

Minot School District. — Messrs. J. W. Porter, Wm. T. Adams, W. S. Allen, Brown, J. S. Greene.

Norcross School District. — Messrs. Fallon, Fennelly, Fitzgerald, Toland, Underwood, Wilson, W. P. Adams, Thayer, Locke, M. J. Green.

Phillips School District. — Messrs. Tilden, Curtis, Beckley, Willard, Quinn, Dunn, Still, Miss May, F. C. Gray, Boothby.

Prescott School District. — Messrs. Fraser, Washburn, W. S. Allen, Noble, Plummer, Campbell, Fletcher.

Quincy School District. — Messrs. Fitzgerald, Rankin, Shattuck, Reynolds, Ordway, Maguire, Chaney, Murphy, Hayden, Miss May, Miss Hale, Newcomb, Jenkins.

Rice School District. — Messrs. Flint, Merrill, Brown, Hutchins, Bigelow, Filkins, Baldwin, Wright, Wilbur, Gorely, Tolman.

Sherwin School District. — Messrs. Ira Allen, Carty, Kneeland, Deblois, Tucker, Miles, O'Kane, Dillaway, Seymour, Lynch, Walker.

Shurtleff School District. — Messrs. J. H. Allen, Underwood, W. P. Adams, Thayer, Wilson, Moseley, Fallon, Locke.

Stoughton School District. — Messrs. J. S. Greene, W. S. Allen, J. W. Porter, Brown, Leavitt.

Tileston School District. — Messrs. J. W. Porter, W. S. Allen, W. T. Adams, Brown, J. S. Greene.

Wells School District. — Messrs. Slade, McDonough, Tilden, Quinn, Williamson, Cilley, Miss Hale, Still, Lyndon.

Winthrop School District. — Messrs. Shattuck, Brown, Reynolds, Maguire, Cruft, Ordway, Chaney, Filkins, Fitzgerald, O'Connor, Wilbur, Thomson, Newcomb, Mrs. Wells.

Charlestown-Harvard School District. — Messrs. Southworth, Slade, Chapin, McCarthy, Miller.

Warren School District. — Messrs. Southworth, Chapin, Darling, McDonald, Gaffney.

Charlestown-Prescott School District. — Messrs. Chapin, Campbell, Neal, McDonald, Gaffney.

Bunker Hill School District. — Messrs. Marden, Cilley, Neal, Miller, McCarthy.

Charlestown-Winthrop School District. — Messrs. Chapin, Southworth, Darling, McDonald, Boothby.

Brighton District. — Messrs. Norton, Kneeland, Rice, Tuckerman, Giddings.

West Roxbury District. — Messrs. Smalley, Blakemore, Frost, Tripp, Beaumont, Morse, Williams, Seymour, Mills.

The committees thus appointed were approved by the Board.

Confirmation of a teacher.

Mr. Brown nominated for confirmation Miss Caroline F. Welch, as a head-assistant in the Winthrop School, services commencing Dec. 10, — and the said nomination was confirmed.

On motion of Mr. Williams: —

Municipal Register.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish the members of the School Board with the Municipal Register for the present year.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland: —

Clerk in office of the Secretary.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be empowered to expend five hundred dollars as salary for a clerk in the office of the Secretary of the Board, for the current year.

On motion of Mr. Merrill: —

Messenger of the Board.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to employ the city messenger, to act as messenger to this Board for the present municipal year, and that they be empowered to fix his compensation.

On motion of Mr. Ordway: —

Manual of the Public Schools.

Ordered, That the Secretary be instructed to prepare the usual Manual of the Public Schools; and that the same be ready for distribution in five weeks from this time.

Mr. Learnard offered the following, and moved a suspension of the rules for the purpose of acting upon it at this time, and the rules were suspended: —

Ordered, That the text-books in Grammar and Philosophy, adopted at the last meeting of the Board, — Jan. 5th, — be introduced during the present term, provided that the Committee on Accounts can make satisfactory arrangements for their introduction. Text-Books in Grammar and Philosophy.

Mr. Brown called for a division of the question.

The question was then taken upon so much of the order as relates to the text-book in Grammar, which was adopted.

Mr. Learnard then amended the remainder of the order by adding the following: — "provided that the text-book in Philosophy be completed with the addition of an index."

The remaining portion of the order, as amended, was then adopted.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland: —

Ordered, That all unfinished business in the hands of the standing and district committees of the Board of last year be referred to the same committees of the present Board. Unfinished business referred to Committees.

On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 12: —

Ordered, That the Secretary be instructed to have copies of the proceedings of the School Board during the past year bound and indexed, and that a copy of the same be furnished to each member of the Board. Proceedings of the last Board.

On motion of Mr. O'Kane: —

Ordered, That the Secretary prepare and cause to be printed a transcript of the Minutes of the Board for the current year. Minutes of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs: —

Voted, That, when this Board adjourn, it be to meet two weeks from to-morrow night, at half-past seven o'clock. Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Ordway, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Jan. 26, 1875.

A meeting of the School Committee of the city of Boston was held by adjournment in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, the twenty-sixth day of January, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

Absent: Messrs. Allen, of Ward 14, Baldwin, Beckley, Cilley, Curtis, Darling, Fallon, Frost, Gillespie, Gray, of Ward 10, Hobbs, Kinsley, Maguire, Miss May, McCarthy, McDonald, McDonough, Miles, Moran, Moseley, O'Connor, O'Kane, Perkins, Rankin, Reynolds, Rice, Ricker, Ryan, Seymour, Toland, Underwood, Williamson, Wilson, Wright, the President of the Board, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

In absence of the President of the Board, it was voted, on motion of Mr. Ordway, to ballot for the choice of a President *pro tempore*. President *pro tem.*

Messrs. Ordway, Tilden and Jenkins were requested by the Secretary to collect the ballots; and they having performed that duty, reported that the whole number of ballots was 66; necessary for a choice, 34; that Mr. William H. Learnard, Jr., had 54; and six other persons had 12 ballots. Mr. Learnard was declared chosen.

The Chair read the request of Gustavus V. Hall and nine others, citizens of Ward 21, that the ballots cast for members of the School Committee in said ward, at the last municipal election, might be counted; as they had reason to believe that William H. Finney was entitled to the seat in the Board occupied by Thomas Gaffney. The petition was referred to the Committee on Elections. Petition for recount of ballots in Ward 21.

Reports of Com. on Elections. Recount of ballots in Ward 21.

Mr. Willard, chairman of the Committee on Elections, submitted the following reports: —

1. Upon the petition of Gustavus V. Hall, and others, citizens of Ward 21, asking for a recount of the ballots cast for members of the School Committee in said ward: that the whole number of ballots was 926; that Thomas Gaffney had 458; William H. Finney had 456; all others 12; and that Thomas Gaffney appeared to have been elected. Accepted.

Certificates of election.

2. That the committee had duly examined the certificates of elections, referred to them at the last meeting, and found the same correct in all respects. The report was accepted.

The following teachers were confirmed: —

Teachers confirmed, etc.

Brimmer School District. — A. D. Chandler, a Primary teacher.

Minot School. — Mary E. Glidden, an assistant.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Charlestown High School. — Phœbe N. Knight, an assistant, commencing Jan. 11th.

Evening Schools, West Roxbury. — Miss H. A. Newcomb, an assistant.

Evening Drawing Schools. — W. R. Briggs and W. P. Jewett.

Resignation.

The resignation of Susan A. Getchell, an assistant in the Charlestown High School, was accepted, to take effect Jan. 11th.

Winthrop School; name of a teacher.

Mr. Shattuck moved that, whereas the name of Miss Welch, a teacher in the Winthrop School, is given in the Minutes of the Board, Jan. 11th, as Caroline, the said Minutes be corrected, — the name of said teacher being Carrie, and not Caroline.

Mr. Ordway moved to amend the Minutes of the Board, Dec. 22d, so that it shall appear that Miss Emma M. Savil commenced service as a teacher in the Bowditch School District, Dec. 1st, 1874.

Bowditch School; date of service of Miss Savil.

Mr. Slade offered the following order, and moved a suspension of the rules for its consideration at this time, — which motion passed. The order was then adopted: —

Hancock School District; date of *second year* of service of a teacher.

Ordered, That Miss Bonney, a Primary teacher in the Hancock District, be allowed to date her second year's service from Jan. 1st, 1875; the committee having dropped her from the list of teachers in June last, but renominated her in September; she thereby having served one year of continuous service from Jan. 1st, 1874.

Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, from the Committee on Evening Schools, submitted the following order: —

Evening Schools; Regulations.

Ordered, That chapter X. of the Rules and Regulations be amended as follows, viz.: —

In place of section 3, of chapter X., the following section be substituted: "Section 3. The teachers shall be a principal, who shall have a general supervision of the school, and as many assistants as may be found necessary, provided that the number of assistants shall not exceed one for every fifteen scholars."

Strike out section 6.

Strike out the word "teacher" in the first line of section 7.

Strike out the word "standing," and insert "sub" in the last line of section 9.

In section 12, strike out the word "male" and the words "teacher" or "teachers" wherever it occurs. Strike out the latter part of this section, beginning with the words, "A teacher of music," etc.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins: —

Normal School; schools of observation.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses and School Sections, in conjunction with the Committees on the Normal School and the Franklin, Rice and Brimmer Districts, consider and report upon the expediency of so arranging the schools within those districts as to provide that the Normal School may be located in connection with schools of observation, which shall include both Grammar and Primary classes.

Eng. High School; "Hour of Singing."

Mr. Merrill submitted a request from the Committee on Accounts, asking that the order passed January 5th, respecting the use in the English High School of the book called the "Hour of Singing," be taken from that committee and referred to the Committee on Text-books.

The Board thereupon referred said order to the Committees on Text-books and Music, jointly.

Mrs. I. Haskins; compensation for services.

Mr. Merrill also requested that the order referred to the Committee on Accounts, relative to the services of Mrs. Isabel Haskins, be referred, instead, to the Committee on Salaries.

The order was so referred.

Mr. Cruft offered the following order: —

Mary O. Lord; maximum salary.

Ordered, That Mary O. Lord, an assistant in the Dwight School, in consideration of seven years' experience in teaching in the same grade, be placed on the maximum salary of the position.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Report of Com. on Rules and Regulations. Charlestown High School; teachers.

Mr. Kneeland, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations, — to whom was referred the printed report of that Committee, read Dec. 22, — submitted the following orders, which were severally adopted: —

Ordered, That the three male teachers in the Charlestown High School be designated as follows: the principal

as head-master; the master of the English Department as master; and the sub-master as sub-master; and that the female teachers consist of one master's assistant, one head-assistant, and as many assistants as shall allow one instructor, not including the head-master, for every thirty-five pupils.

Ordered, That the school-hours of the West Roxbury High School be five consecutive hours daily, on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, — the hour for commencing to be left to the discretion of the committee on that school. West Roxbury High School; school hours.

Ordered, That the teachers of the West Roxbury High School consist of one head-master, and one or more assistants; and that the present male assistant be retained with the salary assigned to him by the Board. West Roxbury High School; teachers.

Ordered, That in each of the Brighton Grammar Schools a teacher be allowed with the grade and pay of head-assistant, to give instruction in the master's room. Schools in Brighton; teachers.

Ordered, That an additional assistant be allowed in the Florence, and in the Mount Vernon School, to give instruction in the master's room. Schools in West Roxbury; teachers.

The committee reported it inexpedient to pass the order proposing that the Grammar and Primary Schools in West Roxbury be allowed to hold two sessions on Wednesday, and *no* session on Saturday.

The Board accepted the report.

Mr. Kneeland, from the same committee, also reported upon the order offered Dec. 22d, respecting the school sessions of the Roxbury High School, recommending that the order be not adopted. Sessions of Roxbury High School.

On motion of Mr. Seaverns, it was voted to lay this report upon the table.

Mr. Shattuck moved to take up the report made Jan. 5th, by the Committee on Rules and Regulations and Report on Sewing.

Salaries, jointly, upon the report made by the Committee on Sewing (Dec. 22d.) The Chair ruled that, before action could be taken upon the report, it must have been referred to and reported upon by some committee of the Board.

A motion by Mr. Shattuck to suspend the rules, to allow immediate consideration of the report, being lost, Mr. Shattuck then moved, and it was voted, to refer the report to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Flint offered the following: —

Girls' High School; salary of assistant in laboratory.

Ordered, That the salary of Miss Mary L. B. Capen, assistant in the laboratory of the Girls' High School, be fixed at eight hundred dollars for the current school year.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Girls' High School; petition for elevator.

Mr. Flint presented a petition, numerously signed, asking the Board to inquire into the expediency of providing an elevator for the use of the Girls' High School.

The petition was referred to the Committee on School-houses, etc.

Mr. Merrill offered the following order: —

Text Books; Swinton's Language Lessons.

Ordered, That Swinton's Language Lessons, adopted by the School Board Jan. 5th, be used in the fourth, fifth and sixth classes of the Grammar Schools, as a text-book; and that the rules of the Board conform to this order. Passed, — under a suspension of the rules.

Mr. Ordway offered the following: —

Corporal punishment in girls' schools; committee to investigate and report.

Ordered, That a committee of five be appointed by the Chair, to investigate to what extent corporal punishment has been carried in the Girls' Grammar Schools for the past year; the said committee to report to this Board, at a subsequent meeting, the result of their investigations.

Passed; and the Chair appointed the followingas the committee, viz.: Messrs. Ordway, Baldwin, Miss Hale, Hayden and Blakemore.

Mr. Shattuck offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended, Chap. IX., Sect. 37, so as to provide that hereafter the Annual School Festival shall apply only to graduates of the High Schools.

Annual School Festival.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Upon motion of Mr. Fitzgerald: —

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses and School Sections be requested to inquire, and to report what changes, if any, are necessary in the lines of the several school sections, especially in the Quincy, Brimmer, Rice and Dwight sections.

Changes in boundaries of the school sections.

Mr. Thayer submitted, verbally, the resignation of Mr. Underwood, upon the Committee on Drawing, and the Board by vote accepted the resignation.

Committee on Drawing; Mr. Underwood resigns.

On motion of Mr. Merrill, the meeting dissolved.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Feb. 9, 1875.

A monthly meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the ninth day of February, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M. His Honor, the Mayor, President of the Board, in the Chair.

Absent: Messrs. Beckley, Cilley, Cruft, Deblois, Dunn, Emery, Filkins, Gaffney, Giddings, Locke, Lyndon, Maguire, Marden, McCarthy, McDonald, McDonough, Merrill, Miller, Mills, Moran, Morse, Moseley, Norton, O'Connor, Ordway, Perkins, Plummer, Porter, of Ward 16, Quinn, Rankin, Ricker, Tuckerman, Underwood, Washburn, Wilson, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

The Chair appointed Mr. Beaumont upon the Committee on Drawing, in place of Mr. Underwood, resigned thereon, and the Board confirmed the appointment. Com. on Drawing; vacancy filled.

The following teachers were confirmed: — Teachers confirmed, etc.

Andrew School District. — Sara W. Barrows, an assistant, and Nellie W. Allen, a Primary teacher.

Chapman School District. — Maria A. Arnold, and Calista W. McLeod, Primary teachers.

Lawrence School District. — M. A. A. Dolan, an assistant, and Minnie Crosby and Elizabeth Crawford, Primary teachers.

Lyman School District. — Clara B. George, and Florence Carver, Primary teachers.

Prescott School District. — Carrie E. Tozier, an assistant, and Mary A. Oburg, a Primary teacher.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Roxbury High School. — Ellen M. Stevens, an assistant commencing Jan. 4th.

Dearborn School. — Louisa M. Epmeyer, an assistant, commencing Feb. 1st.

Lowell School; nomination of Geo. T. Wiggin; motion to reject.

Lowell School. — George T. Wiggin, a sub-master, commencing with the present school year.

Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, moved that this nomination be rejected; and also moved that the consideration of his motion be assigned for eight o'clock, at the next meeting of the Board, — which motion passed.

Phillips School District. — Elizabeth J. Hamilton, a Primary teacher, commencing Feb. 1st.

Mt. Vernon School. — Elizabeth S. Maynard, an assistant, commencing Feb. 8th.

Charlestown-Harvard School. — Sarah J. Perkins, an assistant, commencing Feb 1st.

Warren School. — Annie M. Crozier, an assistant, commencing Feb. 11th.

Evening Schools. — Annie L. Newcomb, at Jamaica Plain.

School for Deaf Mutes.

School for Deaf Mutes. — Manella G. White, an assistant, commencing Nov. 30th, 1874.

The resignations of the following teachers were presented and accepted: —

Girls' High School. — Rebecca R. Joslin, an assistant.

Phillips School District. — Elizabeth W. Nickerson, a Primary teacher, to take effect Feb. 1st.

Stoughton School. — Eva D. Kellogg, an assistant, to take effect March 1st.

Mr. Neal submitted the following vote of the Trustees of the Charlestown Free Schools, at a meeting held Jan. 12th: — "The Nursery." Prang's Nat. History Cards in Charlestown.

"That the superintendent of the schools in Charlestown be authorized to expend a sum not to exceed two hundred dollars, in introducing the "Nursery" (a monthly magazine for youngest readers), and Prang's Natural History Cards, into the Primary schools, in such a manner as he may deem best, — provided it can be done without conflicting with the rules of the Boston School Board."

The rules of the Board having, on motion of Mr. Neal, been suspended, on motion of Mr. Hutchins it was voted to authorize the introduction of the publications named, ageeeably to the vote of the said Trustees.

Mr. Brown offered the following order, which was adopted: —

Ordered, That one hundred dollars be paid to Mrs. A. S. Ryder, sewing teacher in the Dorchester district, for travelling expenses during the current school year. Mrs. A. S. Ryder; travelling expenses.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, reported upon matters which had been referred to that committee, as follows: — Reports of Committee on Salaries.

1. Upon the order, offered Dec. 22d, proposing that two hundred dollars be paid to Charles J. Lincoln, sub-master in the English High School, for extra services, etc., in connection with instruction in Chemistry in that school. Eng. High School: Mr. Lincoln's services.

2. Upon the order, offered Jan. 26th, to provide that the salary of Miss Mary L. B. Capen, assistant in the laboratory of the Girls' High School, be eight hundred dollars for the current school year; — recommending, in each case, the passage of the order. Girls' High School; salary of assistant in laboratory.

The question was taken upon the orders, and they were both adopted.

Regulations of the Normal School.

3. Upon Section 8 of the proposed regulations of the Normal School, referred to this committee Dec. 22d, recommending its passage, in the following words: —

"Any graduate of this school, who is also a graduate of a public high-school of this city, shall have the preference where teachers are to be employed in the public schools, other things being equal; and such graduate, when so employed, shall receive the same salary for her first and subsequent years of service that others receive for the second and subsequent years."

The question being on accepting the report, Mr. Hutchins moved, and it was voted, to take from the table the quarterly report of the Committee on the Normal School, for December, 1874; and that the proposed regulations of the Normal School, including Sect. 8, as reported by the Committee on Salaries, be put upon their passage.

The Chair then read the recommendation submitted in the report, as follows: —

Ordered, That the accompanying regulations be adopted as the regulations of the Boston Normal School.

REGULATIONS OF THE BOSTON NORMAL SCHOOL.

SECTION 1. The Boston Normal School is established for the purpose of furnishing an opportunity for such young women as wish to become teachers to receive a thorough course of distinct professional instruction, and to fit themselves for teachers in the public schools of Boston.

SECT. 2. The teachers shall be a head-master, who shall be a graduate of a college in good standing, a head-assistant, and as many assistants as may be found necessary, provided the number of assistants shall not exceed one for every thirty pupils. Special instruction in Music and Drawing shall be given in this school, in the same manner as is provided for the High schools of the city, under the direction of the committees on these departments.

SECT. 3. Candidates for admission must signify in writing their intention to teach. A diploma of graduation from either of the Boston High schools shall be considered evidence of qualification for admission. Candidates not graduates of the Boston High schools must pass a satisfactory examination in the ordinary High-school studies, and must present evidence of good moral character. No candidate shall be admitted to this school who is not at least seventeen years of age, except by special vote of the committee of the school.

SECT. 4. The sessions of this school shall begin at nine o'clock, A. M., and close at two o'clock P. M., except on Saturdays, when there shall be no session.

SECT. 5. The plan of study shall be arranged for one year. Pupils who have attended for that period, and who have completed the course of study in a manner satisfactory to the committee of the school, shall be entitled to receive a diploma.

SECT. 6. The course of study in this school shall be as follows: —

1. Mental and Moral Science, and Logic.
2. History and Principles of Education, School Management, and Methods of Instruction.
3. Physiology and Hygiene.

4. Physics and Natural History, with reference to Objective Teaching.

5. Study of Language; its history, acquisition, and analysis.

6. Grammar School Studies with reference to teaching.

7. Drawing and its use as a means of illustration in teaching, and Vocal Music.

8. Observation and Practice in Primary and Grammar Schools.

SECT. 7. The text-books used in this school shall be such of the text-books used in the other public schools of the city as are needed for the course of study, and such others as shall be authorized by the School Board.

SECT. 8. Any graduate of this school, who is also a graduate of a public high-school of this city, shall have the preference where teachers are to be employed in the public schools, other things being equal; and such graduate, when so employed, shall receive the same salary for her first and subsequent years of service that others receive for the second and subsequent years.

SECT. 9. Any graduate of this school who has received a diploma may be elected as assistant in a Grammar school, or teacher of a Primary school, without further examination.

SECT. 10. This school shall close on the first school day in July, with such exercises as the committee of the school may order.

On motion of Mr. Seaverns the proposed regulations were referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Report Com. on Sch. Houses.

Mr. Noble read the reports of the Committee on School Houses and School Sections: —

1. Upon the order (Nov. 10th) that the City Council be requested to furnish additional Primary School accommodations in the Comins School District, — recommending the passage of the order.

Report of Com. on School Houses, etc.; Additional accommodations in Comins District.

The question was taken upon the order, and the order was adopted.

2. Upon the order (Nov. 10th) that the Primary Schools in Charlestown be reassigned to the Grammar School Districts to which they properly belong.

Primary Schools in Charlestown; reassignment.

The committee reported the following assignment:

Bunker Hill School. — The Primary schools in the building corner of Bunker Hill and Charles streets, and the Primary school in Haverhill street, and the school for special instruction in Baldwin street.

Charlestown-Harvard School. — Primary school in Harvard street, Primary school in Common street, and school for special instruction in Bow street.

Charlestown-Prescott School. — Primary school in Polk street, Primary school in Medford street, and Primary school corner of Elm and Medford streets.

Warren School. — Primary school in Mead street, Primary school, corner of Cross and Bartlett streets, and school for special instruction in Sumner street.

Charlestown-Winthrop School. — Primary school in Moulton street, Primary school in Bunker Hill street near Tufts street, and Primary school in Fremont street.

The report was accepted.

Mr. Kneeland submitted and read reports of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, on matters which had been referred to that Committee: —

Reports of Com. on Rules and Regulations.

1. Upon the alterations proposed in the regulations of the Evening Schools (Jan. 26th), recommending the passage of the following orders: —

Regulations of the Evening Schools.

Ordered, That Sect. 2 be amended by inserting after "o'clock" in the fifth line, "on five evenings in the week, from Monday to Friday, inclusive, the evenings of legal holidays excepted."

Ordered, That Sect. 3 shall read: — "The teachers in each school shall be a principal, who shall have a general supervision of the school, and as many assistants as may be found necessary, provided that the number of teachers shall not exceed one for every fifteen scholars."

Ordered, That Sect. 4 be amended by striking out the word "teacher" from the first line, and the letter "s" from the word "buildings" in the second line.

Ordered, That Sect. 6 be struck out.

Ordered, That such changes in the numbers of the sections be made as striking out Sect. 6 renders necessary.

Ordered, That the word "teacher" be omitted from the first line of Sect. 7.

Ordered, That Sect. 8 be amended by adding the clause, "and a school for instruction in High school branches may be established."

Ordered, That Sect. 9 be amended by substituting "sub" for "standing."

Ordered, That Sect. 12 be so amended as to read: — "The salaries paid shall be as follows, for the time actually employed: —

Principals,	$3 00	per night,
Assistants,	1 00	"
High School principal,	10 00	"
" " assistants,	5 00	" "

The report was accepted, and the orders were severally adopted.

2. Upon the order, offered Dec. 22d, proposing an amendment to Chap. VI., Sect. 1, of the Rules of the Board, and the amendment to said order.

The committee recommended the adoption of the amendment proposed to said order, instead of the original order; and also that it be made applicable to Chap. VIII., as well as to chapters VI. and VII.; and proposed for adoption the following order: —

Ordered, That there be added to each of chapters VI., VII., and VIII., a new section, to be numbered 6, in the first two chapters, and 8, in the last, and to read as follows: "He shall have his office open, with an attendant in charge, every day throughout the year, Sundays and legal holidays excepted, from 9 A. M. to 5 P. M., excepting that on Saturdays it may be closed at 2 P. M."

The report was accepted and the order was adopted.

Instruction in Sewing.

3. Upon the report made to the Board, Jan. 5th, by the Committees on Rules and Regulations and Salaries jointly, upon the report of the Committee on Sewing (Dec. 22d), referred to this committee Jan. 26th.

The committee recommended the passage of the following orders: —

Ordered, That Section 2, Chapter I., be amended by inserting "on Sewing" after the word "Drawing."

Ordered, That a new section be inserted in Chapter IV. after Section 11, to be called Section 12, the numbers of the following sections to be changed accordingly, as follows: —

Sect. 12. The Committee on Sewing shall exercise a general supervision over that department of instruction in all the schools where sewing shall be introduced; shall examine the pupils in that branch; and

shall report to the Board at the regular meetings in March and September.

Ordered, That Section 12, Chapter XIII., be amended so as to read, —

SECT. 12. Instruction shall be given in sewing to the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth classes of girls in the Grammar Schools; and the several district committees may extend such instruction into the other classes of girls in their respective Grammar schools, if they deem it advisable so to do. The district committee of each school in which such instruction is given shall nominate to the Board for confirmation some qualified person as teacher of sewing, who shall give to each of the four classes in which sewing is required, two lessons a week of one hour each, on different days or sessions of the school; and shall give also such lessons to the other classes, not exceeding the above in length and frequency, as said committee may require.

The report was accepted, and, upon motion of Mr. Learnard, laid upon the table and ordered to be printed, together with the report originally made by the Committee on Sewing.

Petition concerning Kindergarten School.

The Chair read a petition respecting the Kindergarten School. Referred to the standing committee upon that subject.

Sessions of the Roxbury High School.

Mr. Seaverns moved, and it was voted, to take from the table the report made at the last meeting by the Committee on Rules and Regulations, respecting the sessions of the Roxbury High School.

The Chair read the report.

The report was then considered. Pending the discussion thereon, Mr. Allen, of Ward 14, moved and it was voted to recommit the whole subject to the

same committee, with instructions to consider the matter, and report a uniform system by which all of the High schools in the city shall be governed, and also whether or not all the High schools shall have no sessions on Saturday.

Mr. Allen also handed in a petition addressed to the "Chairman of the School Committee of the Elliot High School," — from parents of children who attend the said school, asking that the school may be discontinued on Saturday, and that the hours of exercises on Wednesday be extended, to conform to those on other days. The petition was referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

The President's absence from the meetings; some provision for president *pro tempore*.

The President stated to the Board the fact of his being unable to be present at all of the meetings, and his desire that some change be made in the rules, whereby, in case of his absence, the Board should be provided with a presiding officer.

On motion of Mr. Seaverns, it was voted that the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to report upon the expediency of some provision in the rules of the Board, whereby the wishes of the President should be met.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds, —

Latin School; regulations.

Ordered, That in the new edition of the Rules of this Board, there be added to Section 2, of Chapter XIV., after the first sentence of that section, in accordance with the intent of an order adopted by the Board on the 12th of May, 1874, and printed on page 65 of the Minutes, the following words: "The headmaster, masters, sub-masters, and ushers of this school shall be graduates of a college in good standing.

On motion of Mr. Toland: —

Truant officers;

Ordered, That the Committee on Truant Officers

regulation of, etc.

consider and report whether some plan or system cannot be adopted for the government and regulation of the truant force, with the view of rendering that force more effective; and whether the interests of the South Boston schools do not require the appointment of an additional officer for that part of the city.

On motion of Mr. Williams: —

Truant Officers attend the Evening Schools.

Ordered, That the truant officers be detailed to attend the sessions of the several evening schools, under such regulations as the committee who have charge of truant officers may determine, if they shall deem the same expedient.

On motion of Mr. Flint, and under a suspension of the rules: —

Girls' High School; teacher of physical culture.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Girls' High School be authorized to employ a temporary teacher of physical culture, at an expense not exceeding three hundred dollars.

On motion of Mr. Flint: —

Ventilation of the Girls' High School-house, and the Brimmer.

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses and School Sections consider the matter of the improvement in the ventilation of the Girls' High School building, and the Brimmer School-house, — with full powers.

On motion of Mr. O'Kane: —

Annual School Festival; Committee.

Ordered, That a committee of nine be appointed by the President of this Board to take charge of the Annual School Festival in July, the committee to be announced at the next meeting of the Board.

Mr. Allen, of Ward 14, offered the following: —

Sherwin District; new Primary School-house.

Ordered, That the City Council be, and hereby are, requested to erect a new Primary School-house on Weston street, for the better accommodation of the Primary school children in the Sherwin District.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses and School Sections.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Printing be instructed to prepare copies of the Rules and Regulations of this Board in compact manual form, for the use of the members. Rules and Regulations in manual form.

Mr. Reynolds offered the following: —

Ordered, That permission be given to Professor Henry P. Bowditch, of Harvard University, to make an inquiry as to the height and weight of the children attending the public schools. Height and weight of pupils.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Neal, the Board adjourned.

Attest: BARNARD CAPEN,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, March 9, 1875.

A quarterly meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, the ninth day of March, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M. Absent.

Absent: Messrs. Beckley, Deblois, Fennelly, Gillespie, Gorely, Hutchins, Maguire, Moran, O'Kane, Ordway, Quinn, Rankin, Still, Toland, Williamson, and the President of the Common Council.

On motion of Mr. Brown it was voted to correct the minutes of the last meeting (page 24) so that in section 8, of the proposed regulations of the Boston Normal School, as reported by the Committee on Salaries, the words "who is also a graduate of a public High school of this city," shall follow the word "graduate" in the fifth line of said section, and be stricken out from the second and third lines; so that the section would read as follows: — Minutes amended.

"SECT. 8. Any graduate of this school shall have the preference where teachers are to be employed in the public schools, other things being equal; and such graduate, who is also a graduate of a public high school of this city, when so employed, shall receive the same salary for her first and subsequent years of service that others receive for the second and subsequent years."

Mr. Kneeland asked the privilege, out of the usual course of proceedings, to present the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations upon the request of the President of the Board, at the last meeting, — that some change be made in the rules, whereby, in case of Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations. The President's ab-

sence from the meetings, etc.

his absence from the meetings, the Board should be provided with a presiding officer. The Board granted Mr. Kneeland's request.

Mr. Kneeland then read the report, and presented for adoption the following order.

Rules amended.

Ordered, That Chap. I., Sect. 1, of the Rules of the School Committee be so amended as to read as follows: —

The Mayor of the city shall be, *ex officio*, President of the Board of School Committee; a vice-president, whose duty it shall be to preside at meetings of the Board in the absence of the President, shall be elected by ballot; in case neither of these officers shall be present, the Board shall by ballot choose a president *pro tempore*.

The question was taken upon the order, and it was adopted.

Vice-president elected.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland it was voted to proceed to the choice of a vice-president.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Kneeland, Adams, of Ward 16, and Flint, a committee to collect the ballots for the choice of a vice-president.

Wm. H. Learnard, Jr., chosen Vice-president.

The committee proceeded and reported that the whole number of ballots was 78; necessary for a choice, 40; that there were seven scattering; and that Mr. William H. Learnard, Jr., had 71.

Mr. Learnard was accordingly declared elected.

The President, after expressing his thanks, retired; and Mr. Learnard, the Vice-President, took the chair with brief appropriate remarks.

Teachers confirmed, etc.

The following teachers were confirmed;—

Franklin School District.—Alfarata M. Nichols, a Primary teacher.

Rice School District.—Emma E. Allin, a Primary teacher.

Charlestown-Winthrop School. —Helen Ramsey.

The following were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Bunker-Hill School. — Abby T. Josselyn and Angelia M. Knowles, head assistants, commencing Sept. 1st.

Lincoln School. — Edna M. Flint an assistant, commencing Dec. 1st, 1874, and Silence A. Hill, an assistant, commencing Feb. 1st.

Rice School. — Ellen M. Barbour, an assistant, commencing Jan. 4th.

Charlestown-Winthrop School District. — Fanny M. Lamson, a Primary teacher, commencing March 1st.

West Roxbury School District. — Elvira L. Austin, an assistant in the Florence School, commencing Feb. 15th.

Evening Schools. — Mary Clapp, in the North Bennet street school, commencing Jan. 4th. Evening Schools.

The resignations of the following teachers were presented and accepted: —

West Roxbury High School. — Jules Lévy, teacher of French, to take effect Feb. 13th.

West Roxbury District. — E. W. Hastings, an assistant in the Central School, to take effect Feb. 28th.

Ordered, That Miss Marietta F. Allen, a Primary teacher in the Charlestown-Winthrop District, be transferred to the position of assistant in the Warren School, the committee of both districts having consented thereto; said transfer to take effect March 1st, 1875.

Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, called up the special assignment, — his motion (Feb. 9th) to reject the nomination of George T. Wiggin as sub-master in the Lowell School. Special assignment. Lowell School: Nomination of Geo. T. Wiggin.

The subject, after two postponements, was considered at a quarter before nine o'clock, and received a lengthy discussion; until, on motion of Mr. Washburn, its fur-

ther consideration was postponed to eight and one-half o'clock one fortnight from this evening, to which time, on motion of Mr. Washburn, the Board voted to adjourn.

Adjournment.

The Chair announced, agreeably to the order passed at the last meeting, the following committee to make arrangements for the annual school festival, viz. :—Messrs. Adams, of Ward 16, Shattuck, Allen, of Ward 1, Porter, of Ward 16, O'Kane, Dunn, Marden, Fennelly, Tripp.

Annual School Festival Committee.

The quarterly reports were presented in part, and further time was allowed to committees whose reports were not submitted.

Quarterly Reports.

Mr. Kneeland presented the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, upon the order (Feb. 9th), proposing to allow Prof. Bowditch to make inquiry as to the height and weight of the children of the public schools.

Reports of Committee on Rules and Regulations. Height and weight of pupils. Prof. Bowditch's request.

The committee favored the object on the ground that the facts ascertained would be conducive to good results; and recommended the passage of the order, with some modification, as follows: —

Ordered, That permission be given to Prof. Henry P. Bowditch, of Harvard University, to ascertain the height and weight of the pupils attending the public schools, through such an arrangement with the head-masters or masters as will be most convenient to all concerned.

Mr. Merrill moved to amend the order so that it should read, after the word *arrangement*, as follows: — "as the respective chairmen and the head-masters or masters may deem most convenient," etc.

The amendment was adopted, and the order as amended passed.

Regulations of the Normal School.

Mr. Kneeland submitted and read the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations upon the proposed regulations of the Boston Normal School, referred to the committee Feb. 9th; recommending the adoption of the several sections, excepting Section 8.

Mr. Brown moved, and it was voted, to lay the report upon the table.

Mr. Merrill offered the following order, and moved that the rules be suspended for its passage. The rules were suspended and the order passed: —

Teachers of Sewing in the Comins, Sherwin and Shurtleff schools.

Ordered, That the payments made to the sewing teachers of the Comins, Sherwin, and Shurtleff schools be confirmed to Feb. 1, 1875, they having performed the services for which they have been paid.

The following orders were offered and, excepting No. 3, referred to the Committee on School-houses and School Sections; orders 1 and 2 with full powers: —

1. By Mr. Smalley, —

West Roxbury; Primary School accommodations.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish additional school accommodation for Primary scholars in the vicinity of Centre and May streets, in the West Roxbury District.

2. By Mr. Mills, —

W. Roxbury High School; land adjoining.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to purchase the lot of land immediately adjoining the Eliot High School, West Roxbury.

3. By Mr. Allen, of Ward 14, —

Sherwin District; new Primary school-house.

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses and School Sections have full power with reference to the order offered Feb. 9, 1875, asking the City Council to erect a new Primary school-house in Weston street, in the Sherwin District. Passed.

4. By Mr. Plummer, —

Adams school-house; room for the master.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to fit up and furnish a room in the Adams school-house for the use of the master.

5. By Mr. Williams, —

Comins District; yard of Phillips-st. School-house.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to cause the yard of the Phillips-street Primary School, in the Comins School District, to be graded.

6. By Mr. Parkman, —

Kindergarten School; room in Tennyson street.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to grant one of the rooms (now unoccupied) in the school-house in Tennyson street, and prepare it for the use of the Kindergarten School.

The following orders were offered and referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations: —

1. By Mr. Cruft, —

School for licensed minors for girls.

Ordered, That a school be established for girls, under similar conditions and with similar advantages as those now enjoyed by the schools for licensed minors.

2. By Mr. Flint, —

Amendment of Rules proposed; pupils absent five days.

Ordered, That Chap. IX., Sect. 17, of the Rules and Regulations be amended by striking out in the second line, — "or when a pupil has been absent for five consecutive school days."

3. By Mr. Flint, —

Girls' High School; course of instruction; Diploma.

Ordered, That the regular course of instruction in the Girls' High School extend over four years, and that the committee be authorized to award a diploma on the satisfactory completion of the fourth year's studies.

4. By Mr. Flint, —

Girls' High School; a preparatory class.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Girls' High School be authorized to organize a preparatory class, into which candidates for admission, and members of the first year's class who are unable to pass their examination, may be received.

The following orders were offered and referred to the Committee on Salaries: —

1. By Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, —

Shurtleff School; salary of Mrs. Cleary, sewing teacher.

Ordered, That the salary of Mrs. E. M. Cleary, as sewing teacher in the Shurtleff School, continue the same as during the past four years.

2. By Mr. Kneeland, —

Ordered, That James E. Parker, in temporary charge of the Brighton-Harvard School, be paid the regular salary for masters, from the commencement of the present school year.

Salary of James E. Parker.

3. By Mr. Reynolds, —

Ordered, That the salary of the head-master of the English High School, and the salary of the head-master of the Girls' High School, be for the first year four thousand dollars, with an increase of one hundred dollars in each succeeding year of continuous service, for ten years.

Salaries of head-masters of English High and Girls' High schools.

Mr. Fitzgerald offered the following: —

The Committee on Truant Officers would respectfully request that the salary of the chief of the truant force be fixed at $1,350 per annum, from the first day of March, 1875.

Truant officers; salary of the chief.

Laid upon the table, on motion of Mr. Williams.

Mr. Wilbur offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be empowered annually during the month of May to cause to be taken a census of all school children between the ages of five and fifteen, the same being in accordance with the law.

Census of school-children.

The order passed.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, reported upon matters which had been referred to that committee: —

Reports of Committee on Salaries:

1. Upon the order (Dec. 22), that forty-four dollars be paid to Mrs. Isabel Haskins for temporary services in the Lewis School, — recommending the passage of the order.

Salary of Mrs. I. Haskins.

Accepted, and the order was adopted.

2. Upon the order proposing that Mary O. Lord, an

Salary of Mary O. Lord, and of Miss M. A. Lovering.

assistant in the Dwight School, be paid the maximum salary of the position; and, —

3. Upon the order proposing that Miss M. A. Lovering, of the Charlestown-Harvard school, be paid the maximum salary; — that said orders ought not to pass.

The report in each case was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 16, —

Tileston District; non-resident pupils.

Ordered, That the whole subject of non-resident pupils in the Tileston District be referred to the Committee on Accounts, with full powers.

On motion of Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, the Board adjourned.

Attest: BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

In School Committee, March 23, 1875.

A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the twenty-third day of March, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M. The Vice-President in the Chair.

Absent: Messrs. Allen, of Ward 14, Beckley, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Brown, Curtis, Deblois, Emery, Gaffney, Gillespie, Hayden, Hutchins, Maguire, McDonald, Merrill, Miles, Mills, Moran, Moseley, Neal, Newcomb, O'Connor, Ordway, Porter, of Ward 2, Quinn, Rankin, Ryan, Shattuck, Still, Tucker, Underwood, Mrs. Wells, Messrs. Willard, Wilson, Wright, the President of the Board, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

The following teachers were nominated upon probation: — Teachers confirmed, etc.

Andrew School District. — Clara C. Prince, an assistant, commencing Feb. 8th; and Elizabeth S. Kenna, teacher of Sewing, commencing Feb. 1st.

Gaston School District. — Edith Leonard, an assistant, commencing Feb. 1st, and Caroline Haydn, a Primary teacher, commencing March 20th.

The resignations of the following teachers were presented and accepted: —

Andrew School District. — Alice A. Bailey, an assistant, to take effect March 1st; Caroline M. Kingman, an assistant, taking effect Dec. 4th, 1874; and Mercy L. Parr, teacher of Sewing, taking effect Feb. 1st.

Miss Mary S. Beebe was transferred from the Primary

to the Grammar department in the Andrew School District.

Report of Committee on Rules Regulations. Instruction in Sewing.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland the Board took from the table the report, in print, of the Committee on Rules and Regulations made Feb. 9th, upon the matter of instruction in Sewing in the the public schools. The question was then upon adopting the orders submitted in the report (see page 29 of the Minutes).

Rules and Regulations amended.

Order No. 1 was adopted.

Order No. 2 was adopted.

In order No. 3, on motion of Mr. Chaney, it was voted to strike out the word *third* in the second line of the proposed Section 12; and also the word *four* in the last line but five of the said section.

The order as amended was then adopted.

Mr. Kneeland submitted and read the reports of the Committee on Rules and Regulations upon matters which had been referred to them, as follows: —

School for licensed minors, for girls.

1. Upon the order for the establishment of a school for licensed minors, for girls, — recommending the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Schools for Licensed Minors are hereby authorized to establish a school for girls, similar to the schools for licensed minors now under their supervision.

Accepted, and the order passed.

Age of admission to Primary schools.

Sessions of Primary schools.

2. Upon the orders offered June 2d, 1874, proposing that the age for admitting pupils to the Primary schools be six years instead of five; and proposing that the daily sessions of the Primary schools be a single session of three and one-half hours, etc.; — that it is inexpedient to adopt the orders.

The report was accepted.

3. Upon the matter of the sessions of the Roxbury High School, and with respect to a uniform system for all of the High schools, and as to the matter of having no sessions of the High schools on Saturday: —

Sessions of the Roxbury High school, and other High schools; Saturday sessions.

The Committee recommended the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That the daily sessions of the Latin, Normal, and the several High Schools shall commence at nine o'clock, A. M., and close at one o'clock, P. M., on each week-day, — the hours for military drill not to be included; that the committee on the Latin School be allowed, in case of need, to appoint additional hours for boys in any class above the sixth; and that the committee on the English High School be also allowed to appoint such additional hours, if necessary, for the boys of any class.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald it was voted to lay the report upon the table, and that it be printed.

Mr. Washburn presented a petition of citizens and tax-payers of East Boston, representing the necessity for a High School in that part of the city, and praying that immediate measures be taken for its establishment; also a petition of officers and members of the Citizens' Trade Association in behalf of the said petition, asking the Board to establish said school, to be opened at the commencement of the next school year; and moved that the papers be referred to a special committee of seven. The motion passed; the Chair being allowed time for the appointment of said committee.

Petition for a High school in East Boston.

On motion of Mr. Parkman the Board took up the matter specially assigned at the last meeting, to wit; the motion that the nomination of Mr. George T. Wiggin as sub-master of the Lowell School be rejected.

Special assignment; Lowell School; nomination of George T. Wiggin.

The matter was considered at length. The previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Kinsley.

Yeas and Nays.

Voted, on motion of Mr. O'Kane, to take the yeas and nays upon the question.

The yeas and nays were taken; when the following members voted yea; viz.: —

Yeas: Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12; Adams, of Ward 16; Allen, of Ward 1; Andrews, Fallon, Flint, Green, Greene, Kinsley, Leavitt, Noble, O'Kane, Porter, of Ward 16; Toland, Tuckerman, and Williams. — 16.

The following members voted nay; viz.: —

Nays: Messrs. Baldwin, Beaumont, Blakemore, Boothby, Campbell, Carty, Chaney, Chapin, Cilley, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Darling, Dillaway, Dunn, Fennelly, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Fraser, Frost, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4; Gray, of Ward 10; Miss Hale, Messrs. Hobbs, Jenkins, Kneeland, Locke, Lynch, Lyndon, Marden, Miss May, Messrs. McCarthy, McDonough, Miller, Morse, Murphy, Norton, O'Neil, Parkman, Perkins, Plummer, Reynolds, Rice, Ricker, Seaverns, Seymour, Slade, Smalley, Southworth, Thomson, Tilden, Tolman, Tripp, Walker, Washburn, and Wilbur. — 57.

Sixteen members voted yea, and fifty-seven members voted nay. So the motion was not adopted.

Mass. Total abstinence society; communications.

The Chair read two communications from the Massachusetts Total Abstinence Society, respectively offering prizes to the schools for compositions on the subject of "The Evil of Intemperance, and the Remedy;" and requesting permission for the agent to visit the public schools in the service of the society.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland the Board voted leave to withdraw.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed, in reporting a more uniform organization for the Grammar Schools, to suggest any analogous changes in the several High Schools which they may deem important.

A more uniform organization of the Grammar schools, etc.

Mr. Reynolds offered the two following orders: —

1. *Ordered*, That the Committee on School-houses and School Sections be instructed so to re-arrange the school districts as to provide separate schools for pupils of either sex throughout the city after the close of the present school year; the more remote portions of wards 16, 17 and 19 to be for the present exempt from the effects of this order.

Separate schools for pupils of either sex.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses, etc.

2. *Ordered*, That the Committee on the Kindergarten School consider and report to the Board at its stated meeting in May next whether it be expedient to establish at the beginning of the next school year six schools for Kindergarten instruction; to place one of these schools in Charlestown, one in Roxbury, one in East Boston, one in South Boston, and two in the central districts of Boston; to admit children to these schools at three years, and to continue the course of instruction during four years.

Schools for Kindergarten instruction.

Referred to the Committee on the Kindergarten School.

Mr. Smalley offered the following order: —

Ordered, That Miss Elizabeth S. Maynard, an assistant in the Mount Vernon Grammar School, West Roxbury, teaching the second class in the Master's room, be paid the maximum salary of eight hundred dollars, from the date of her appointment, Feb. 8, 1875, in consideration of her previous service of two years in the employ of the city.

Maximum salary to Miss E. S. Maynard.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Thayer offered the following order: —

Maximum salary to Miss S. K. Pratt.

Ordered, That, in consideration of her long service as a teacher in towns adjoining the city, Miss Susan K. Pratt, an assistant in the Lincoln School, be given the maximum salary of her grade.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Thayer offered the following order, and moved a suspension of the rules for its passage. The rules were suspended and the order was adopted: —

Land for a new Primary school in South Boston.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to purchase a lot of land, and erect thereon a Primary schoolhouse, at City Point, South Boston, below M street.

Mr. Cruft offered the following: —

School for licensed minors, for girls; accommodations.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide suitable school accommodations for girls, under conditions similar to those of the schools for licensed minors.

Referred with full powers to the Committee on Schoolhouses, etc.

Mr. Rice offered the following: —

Duties of Committees on Latin, Normal and High schools.

Ordered, That sect. 13, chap. IV. of the Rules and Regulations be amended so as to read: The standing committees on the Latin, Normal, and the several High schools shall perform the same duties, observe the same rules, and exercise the same rights, so far as they are applicable to their respective schools, as are hereinafter prescribed for district committees in their supervision of the Grammar schools. At the regular meetings of those committees five members shall constitute a quorum; except that of the committees on the Dorchester, Brighton, and West Roxbury High schools, three members shall constitute a quorum.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Norton: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to surround the Everett Primary School lot in the Brighton District with a suitable fence.

Brighton District; fence around Primary-school lot.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs: —

Voted, That the sessions of the public schools be suspended on Saturday next.

Suspension of school sessions on Saturday.

On motion of Mr. Toland the meeting dissolved.

Attest: BARNARD CAPEN,

Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, April 13, 1875.

A regular monthly meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of April, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M. Mr. Learnard, the Vice-President in the Chair.

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and it was voted that the roll be called to see if a quorum were present. Roll called.

The roll was called, and the following-named members responded to their names, to wit: —

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 1, Beaumont, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Blakemore, Brown, Campbell, Chaney, Chapin, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Curtis, Dillaway, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Flint, Giddings, Gray, of Ward 4, Green, of Ward 7; Miss Hale, Messrs. Hobbs, Jenkins, Kneeland, Learnard, Leavitt, Miss May, Messrs. Murphy, Neal, Newcomb, Noble, Norton, O'Neal, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Porter, of Ward 16, Porter, of Ward 2, Rankin, Rice, Ricker, Slade, Southworth, Still, Thayer, Tilden, Tuckerman, Walker, Wilbur, and Williamson. — 49. Members present.

Whereupon it appeared that forty-nine members were present, and not a quorum. No quorum.

Upon motion of Mr. Hobbs, the meeting voted — yeas 26, nays 18 — to adjourn.

Adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, April 27, 1875.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston, by order of the President, at the written request of eighteen members of the Board, was held at the City Hall on Tuesday, the twenty-seventh day of April, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M., the Vice-President in the Chair.

Absent: Messrs. Andrews, Carty, Cilley, Curtis, Deblois, Gillespie, Greene, of Ward 16, Lyndon, Maguire, McCarthy, McDonough, Miles, Mills, Moran, Morse, Moseley, Murphy, Noble, O'Connor, Parkman, Quinn, Rankin, Ryan, Seymour, Shattuck, Still, Thayer, Willard, Williamson, Wilson, the President of the Board, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

The Chair read the resignation of Mr. Frederick P. Moseley, of Ward 16, as a member of the Board, and the resignation was accepted. Resignation of Frederick P. Mosely.

Mr. Adams, of Ward 16, offered the following: —

Whereas, a vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Frederick P. Moseley, of Ward 16: — Vacancy; Convention proposed.

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a convention on Tuesday, the eleventh day of May next, for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law.

The order was adopted.

The Chair appointed the following committee to nominate a candidate for filling the vacancy, to wit: —

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 16, Leavitt, Porter, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 12, and Seaverns.

The Chair appointed the following committees: —

Committee on Sewing.

1. The standing committee on Sewing: — Messrs. Shattuck, Chapin, Cruft, Miss Hale, Messrs. Chaney, Quinn, and Tolman.

High School in East Boston.

2. The special committee on the subject of a High School in East Boston: — Messrs. Noble, Flint, Willard, Allen, of Ward 1, Slade, Chaney, and Campbell.

Petition of Means and others; school accommodations in Neponset; Minot School-house.

The Chair read a petition, signed by John Means, Jr., George W. Means, J. S. Putnam, and one hundred other persons, citizens of Neponset, in Ward 16, calling the attention of the Board to the necessity for better school accommodations in that district, and asking that immediate steps may be taken to remove the school from the rooms occupied to more healthy quarters, and that measures may be taken to provide permanent accommodations by the enlargement of the Minot School-house, or building a new house for the accommodation of the district.

On motion of Mr. Porter, of Ward 16, the petition was referred to the Committee on School Houses, etc.

Communication from C. W. Doten.

The Chair read a communication from C. W. Doten, 27 London street, East Boston, requesting an investigation of the matter of the discharge of his daughter from the Lyman School.

Referred, on motion of Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, to the Committee on the Lyman School District.

Teachers confirmed, etc.

The following teachers were confirmed: —

Charlestown High School. — Phebe A. Knight, an assistant.

Dudley School District. — Ruth H. Brady, and Lucette S. Boynton.

Quincy School. — Henry B. Brown, an usher.

Brighton School District. — Mary J. Cavanagh, an assistant in the Brighton-Harvard School.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Girls' High School. — Mary S. Gage, an assistant, commencing April 12th.

Dwight School District. — Amelia M. Hinckley, an assistant, commencing March 23d.

Quincy School District. — Annie Reilly and Maria Callanan, Primary teachers.

The Chair nominated Mr. Joseph A. Tucker upon the Committee on Accounts, to fill the vacancy in place of Mr. Moseley, resigned.

Committee on Accounts; vacancy filled.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, reported for adoption the following orders; for the passage of the second order, Mr. Brown moved a suspension of the rules, — which motion passed. Both of the orders were adopted: —

Reports: Committee on Salaries.

1. *Ordered*, That the salary of the teacher of sewing in the Shurtleff School be fixed at the rate of seven hundred dollars per annum, from Feb. 1st to May 1st, 1875; and subsequently at the rate of eight hundred dollars per annum, — provided four additional divisions are taught.

Salaries of Teacher of Sewing in the Shurtleff School.

2. *Ordered*, That the salary of the teacher of Music in Brighton be fixed at six hundred dollars for the present school year.

Salary of teacher of Music in Brighton.

Mr. Kneeland, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations, presented reports as follows: —

Reports of Committee on Rules and Regulations:

1. Upon the order (March 23d), proposing an amendment of the rules of the Board, pertaining to the duties of the standing committees on the Latin, Normal and several High schools, — that no action is necessary, as the amendment suggested has already been made. The report was accepted.

Duties of Committees on Latin, Normal and High schools.

Winthrop School; salary of a head-assistant.

2. Upon the order (March 10th, 1874), to provide that the head-assistant serving at the present time in the master's room in the Winthrop School be made a master's assistant.

The committee recommended the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That, while the Winthrop School continues as at present organized, two teachers may be employed of the rank of master's assistant.

The report was accepted and the order was adopted.

Sessions of the Roxbury High School and other high schools, etc; subject specially assigned.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland, it was voted to assign to nine o'clock the consideration of the report upon the subject of the sessions of the High Schools.

The consideration was subsequently further postponed; and, on motion of Mr. Kneeland, was assigned to eight o'clock, at the next meeting of the Board.

The following orders were offered and referred to the Committee on Salaries: —

1. By Mr. Cruft: —

Salary of Amelia M. Hinckley.

Ordered, That Amelia M. Hinckley, an assistant in the Dwight School, in consideration of her long and faithful previous service in the same situation, be paid the maximum salary from the date of her appointment.

2. By Mr. Kneeland: —

Salary of Ellen F. Inman.

Ordered, That Ellen F. Inman, teacher in the Dudley School for boys, be paid the maximum salary from the commencement of her second year of service.

On motion of Mr. Merrill: —

Teachers of Sewing; what further salary.

Ordered, That the Committee on Salaries consider and report what further salary, if any, shall be paid to teachers of sewing teaching more than three classes or six divisions.

The following orders were offered and referred to the

Committee on School Houses and School Sections, with full powers: —

1. By Mr. Chaney: —

Ordered, That Tremont Temple be hired for the use of the English High School, for their annual prize declamation.

English High School; Prize Declamation.

2. By Mr. Porter, of Ward 16: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide temporary accommodation for an additional Primary School in the Minot District.

Minot School District; temporary accommodations.

Mr. Ordway, from the Committee on Music, reported that, in the judgment of the committee, the annual musical exhibition should not be held, and moved a suspension of sect. 37, chap. ix.; and, the question being taken thereon, the motion passed.

Annual Musical Exhibition.

Mr. Ordway, from the same committee, asked and was granted leave to report in print upon the new plan of giving instruction in music by the teachers of music, — in districts.

Committee on Music to report in print.

On motion of Mr. Underwood: —

Ordered, That a special committee of five be appointed to consider the expediency of establishing a High School for girls in South Boston.

High School for girls in South Boston.

Mr. Underwood offered the following resolutions and order: —

Resolved, That, in the opinion of this committee, it is expedient, in the revision of the city charter, to provide for assistant superintendents, who shall act as a board of examiners for all the schools.

Revision of the city charter; School Committee; Board of Examiners, etc.

Resolved, That, while the number of the School Committee could be advantageously reduced, the duties pertaining to the Board cannot be properly discharged by so small a number as fifteen members.

Resolved, That the members of the School Committee,

or of any body taking the place of the School Committee, should not be appointed by the Mayor.

Ordered, That a copy of the above resolutions be transmitted at the proper time by the Secretary of this Board to the presiding officers of the two branches of the Legislature, and to the City Council.

Mr. Williams moved a reference of the resolutions and order to a special committee of seven.

Mr. Reynolds offered the following as a substitute, for Mr. Williams' motion: —

Ordered, That a committee of seven members be appointed to represent this Board before any committee of the Legislature having in charge the proposed amendment of the city charter in regard to the government of the public schools.

Mr. Williams accepted the motion of Mr. Reynolds, in place of his own motion, and moved to substitute it for the original resolutions and order, and the motion prevailed.

The question was then taken upon the substitute, and it was adopted.

The Chair then nominated the following committee, which the Board confirmed, viz.: — Messrs. Underwood, Fitzgerald, Adams, of Ward 16, Washburn, Reynolds, Neal and Flint.

Brighton-Harvard School; master elected.

On motion of Mr. Norton, the Board took from the table the subject of the mastership of the Brighton-Harvard School.

Voted, to proceed to ballot for the purpose of filling the vacancy.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Norton, O'Kane and Filkins a committee to receive, sort and count the ballots, — who proceeded, and afterwards reported that the whole number of ballots was 65; that George W.

M. Hall had 53; James E. Parker, 9; N. H. Whittemore, 2; N. P. Gage, 1; — whereby it appeared that there was no choice, — sixty votes, by the rules, being necessary for an election.

Voted, to proceed to another ballot, — the same committee serving to collect the ballots.

Second Ballot. — Whole number of ballots, 65. George W. M. Hall had 63, and N. H. Whittemore, 2. Thereupon Mr. Hall was declared chosen.

On motion of Mr. Chapin: —

Ordered, That the City Solicitor be requested to give his opinion as to the legal right of this Board to employ special teachers to teach the art of sewing in the public schools of our city.

Instruction in sewing; City Solicitor's opinion to be asked.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds: —

Voted, that the Committee on Rules and Regulations have leave to report in print upon the subject of a more uniform organization of the Grammar Schools.

Committee on Rules and Regulations to report in print.

Mr. Campbell, Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, and Mr. Plummer, respectively, presented the following petitions: —

1. Of citizens and parents of the Chapman School District; and parents of the graduating class in the Chapman School;

High School in East Boston: petitions.

2. Of citizens and parents of the Lyman School District, and parents of the graduating class in the Lyman School;

3. Of citizens and parents of the Adams School District, and parents of the graduating class in the Adams School; — asking for the establishment of a High School in East Boston.

All of said petitions were referred to the special committee upon that subject.

On motion of Mr. Norton: —

Brighton: school-lots to be paved.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to pave the Everett Primary-School lot, and the Harvard Grammer-School lot, in the Brighton District.

On motion of Mr. Williams: —

Phillips St. Pri-mary School-yard to be paved.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to pave the yard of the Phillips-street Primary School, Comins School District.

On motion of Mr. Williams: —

Comins School; instruction in sewing.

Ordered, That the Comins District Committee be authorized to extend the benefits of sewing to the Francis-street School, making seven divisions in the district in which sewing shall be taught; — to begin Feb. 1st, 1875.

On motion of Mr. Chaney: —

Vacation schools for industrial instruction.

Ordered, That the Committee on Industrial Schools be requested to consider and report upon the expediency of establishing one or more vacation schools for industrial instruction.

Mr. Slade offered the following: —

Vocal and physical culture; a teacher of elocution.

Ordered, That Chap. IV., Sect. 9, be amended by striking out the words "and a superintendent of vocal and physical culture, who shall devote six months of each year to the training of the masters and teachers of all the schools for the personal fulfilment, in their various divisions, of the work in this department;" and insert in place thereof "a teacher of elocution, who shall give instruction to the pupils in the High Schools."

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Brown offered the following: —

Examinations for Diplomas and admission to High schools.

Ordered, That the diploma examination in the several Grammar Schools and the examination for entrance to the various High Schools be based upon a single series of questions, to be prepared under the direction of a

committee from the various High Schools, and presented at the same time to the pupils who are to be examined.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

On motion of Mr. Merrill, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

In School Committee, May 11, 1875.

A monthly meeting of the Schoool Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall on Tuesday, the eleventh day of May, 1875, at half past seven o'clock, P.M. The Vice President in the Chair.

Absent: Messrs Beckley, Boothby, Campbell, Deblois, Dunn, Emery, Fennelly, Flint, Fraser, Gaffney, Giddings, Greene, Hobbs, Maguire, McCarthy, Miller, Mills, Moran, Morse, Murphy, Neal, O'Connor, O'Kane, Parkman, Plummer, Rankin, Rice, Ryan, Shattuck, Thayer, Tripp, Tucker, Underwood, Washburn, Williamson, Wright, the President of the Board, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

The Chair announced the committee to nominate a candidate for filling the vacancy in the Board caused by the resignation of Mr. Moseley, viz., Messrs. Adams of Ward 16, Leavitt, Porter, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 12, and Seaverns. Committee to nominate candidate for the vacancy.

The Chair read the concurrence of the Mayor and Aldermen in the proposition of this Board for a convention for filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Moseley.

The convention was held, Aldermen Clark in the Chair. Convention.

Mr. Adams, of Ward 16, from the committee to nominate a candidate, reported the name of Daniel D. Gilbert.

The Chair appointed Alderman Prescott and Messrs. Adams, of Ward 16, and Gray, of Ward 4, a committee to collect the ballots; who proceeded and re- Daniel D. Gilbert, elected.

ported that the whole number of ballots was 75; that 64 votes were necessary for a choice; that Daniel D. Gilbert had 74, and Baylies Sanford had 1. Accordingly Mr. Gilbert was declared chosen.

The business of the convention having been accomplished the two branches separated.

The Chair read communications, as follows: —

Resignations: Committee on Schools for Licensed Minors. Committee on Sewing.

1. From Michael Moran, asking to be excused from serving on the committee on the school for Licensed Minors.

2. From Mr. Cruft, asking to be relieved from serving on the Committee on Sewing.

Resignation of Charles L. Flint.

3. From Mr. Flint, tendering his resignation as a member of the School Committee.

The Board, by vote, granted the request of Mr. Moran, and of Mr. Cruft, and accepted the resignation of Mr. Flint.

Mr. Gray, of Ward 10, offered the following: —

Vacancy; convention proposed.

Whereas, A vacancy exists in this Board, caused by the resignation of Charles L. Flint, of Ward 10; —

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a convention on Tuesday, the eighth day of June, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of filling said vacancy; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law.

The order passed.

Vacancies in committees filled. Committee on a High school for girls in South Boston. School for Licensed Minors.

The Chair made the following appointments: —

1. The Committee on the matter of a High school for girls in South Boston: — Messrs. Thayer, Hutchins, Adams, of Ward 12, Slade and Chaney.

2. Mr. Tuckerman, on the committee on the schools for Licensed Minors, in place of Mr. Moran, excused.

3. Miss Peabody, on the committee on Sewing, in place of Mr. Cruft, excused. Committee on Sewing.

4. Mr. Adams, of Ward 16, on the committee on the Girls' High School, in place of Mr. Flint, resigned. Committee on the Girls' High School.

5. Mr. Hutchins on the committee on the subject of a High school in East Boston, in place of Mr. Flint, resigned. Committee on a High School in East Boston.

6. Mr. Gilbert, on the committees on the English High School, the Dorchester High School, and the Andrew, Dorchester-Everett, Gibson, Lewis, Mather and Shurtleff School Districts. Mr. Gilbert appointed upon committees.

The Chair stated that the business before the meeting was the matter specially assigned at the last meeting; — the report of the Committee on Rules and Regulations on the subject of the sessions of the Roxbury High school and other High schools. Sessions of the Roxbury High School and other High Schools.

Mr. Willard presented a remonstrance of parents of pupils in the Charlestown High School against the change proposed by the committee. Charlestown High School; remonstrance of parents.

Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, submitted a protest from parents in South Boston against the passage of the proposed order. Protest of parents in South Boston.

Mr. Kneeland offered the following substitute for the order: —

Ordered, That the standing committees of the several High schools may, when they deem it expedient, establish in their respective schools daily sessions of five hours each, Saturdays excepted; and appoint the hour for the commencement of such sessions.

Mr. Kneeland subsequently moved to amend the substitute by inserting, after the word *schools*, the words "excepting the Latin and English — High Schools."

The previous question being ordered, on motion of

Mr. Filkins, the question was taken on the amendment, which was lost; upon substituting the order of Mr. Kneeland, and it was lost; and then upon the original order of the committee, and it was indefinitely postponed, on motion of Mr. Merrill.

Sessions of the Roxbury High School.

Mr. Allen, of Ward 14, thereupon moved the original order, which he offered Dec. 22d, 1874: — "That the Roxbury High School have five school sessions each week, of five hours each, from and after the passage of this order;" and moved a suspension of the rules for its passage, which motion passed.

The question was then taken upon the order, and it was adopted.

Adjournment.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Kneeland, that, when the Board adjourn, it adjourn for one week.

Kindergarten School; Committee to report in print.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Reynolds, that the Committee on the Kindergarten School have leave to report in print.

Teachers confirmed, etc.

The following teachers were confirmed: —

Bowditch School. — Emma M. Savil, an assistant.

Lincoln School. — Charles W. Hoitt, usher, and Edna M. Flint and Silence A. Hill, assistants.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

West Roxbury High School. — A. E. A. Godefrin, teacher of French, commencing March 28th.

Bigelow School District. — Lucy R. Cutter, an assistant, commencing April 1st; and Lucy E. Johnson, a Primary teacher, commencing Feb. 1st.

Lowell School District. — Anna S. Brasier, teacher of Sewing, commencing May 4th; and Miss Mulliken, a Primary teacher, commencing May 4th.

The following resignations were presented and accepted: —

Andrew School District. — Rosabel V. Aldrich, a Primary teacher, to take effect June 1st.

Bigelow School District. — Annie C. Gill, a Primary teacher, to take effect February 1st.

Report of Committee on communication of C. W. Doten.

Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, from the Committee on the Lyman School District, read the report of that committee on the communication of C. W. Doten, respecting the discharge of his daughter from the Lyman school: — That Mr. Doten, having been invited, refused to appear before the committee; that the committee had investigated the matter, and found no reasonable ground for complaint; and they asked to be discharged from its further consideration.

Accepted, and the request of the committee was granted.

Report of Committee on Salaries; salary of James E. Parker.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, to whom was referred an order, that James E. Parker, in temporary charge of the Brighton-Harvard School, be paid the regular salary of a master, etc., reported, recommending the following order: —

Ordered, That James E. Parker be paid the regular salary of a master in the Brighton district, for the time of his actual service during the present school year.

Accepted, and the order passed.

On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 16: —

Annual School Festival.

Ordered, That the Annual School Festival be held on the afternoon of Saturday, July 3d.

On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 16; —

Committee to appear before the Legislature.

Ordered, That the committee appointed to represent the School Committee before the Legislature be authorized to print their report.

On motion of Mr. Merrill: —

Committee on Accounts to report in print.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to report in print the expenditure of the

Department of Public Schools for the financial year 1874–5.

Reports of Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Kneeland, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations, submitted reports from that committee, as follows: —

Annual School Festival.

1. Upon the order referred to that committee Jan. 26th, proposing that the Annual School Festival shall apply only to the graduates of the High schools; recommending that the order be not adopted.

The report was accepted.

Pupils absent five days.

2. Upon the order — March 9th — proposing to amend the Rules and Regulations, Chap. IX., Sect. 17, by striking out, in the second line, the words — "or when a pupil has been absent for five consecutive school days."

The committee recommended that the order be not adopted.

The report was accepted.

Girls' High School, a preparatory class.

3. Upon the order — March 9th — to provide for the establishing of a preparatory class in the Girls' High School.

The committee recommended that the order be not adopted.

The report, on motion of Mr. Fitzgerald, was laid upon the table.

Girls' High School; course of instruction; diplomas.

4. Upon the order — March 9th — proposing that the regular course of instruction in the Girls' High School extend over four years; and that a diploma be awarded on the completion of the fourth year's studies.

The committee recommended for adoption the following order: —

Ordered, That the course of instruction in the Girls' High School may be enlarged, and extended

over four years for such scholars as may desire a more extended course; and that such scholars, upon graduation, shall have inserted, in the diplomas awarded them, the statement that they have completed the four years' course.

On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, the report was laid upon the table.

Salaries of Instructors.

Mr. Reynolds offered the two following orders, and moved their reference to the Committee on Salaries; and they were so referred.

1. *Ordered*, That the salary of assistants in the Grammar and Primary schools be six hundred dollars for the first year, with an increase of fifty dollars for each succeeding year of continuous service, till it reaches eight hundred dollars.

2. *Ordered*, That the salaries of usher, sub-master and master in the several High and Grammar schools be sixteen hundred dollars, twenty-two hundred dollars, and twenty-eight hundred dollars, respectively; with an increase of one hundred dollars for each succeeding year of continuous service, till those salaries reach two thousand dollars, twenty-six hundred dollars and thirty-two hundred dollars, respectively.

On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 16: —

Committee on Industrial Schools to report in print.

Ordered, That the Committee on Industrial Schools be authorized to print their report.

Committee on High Schools in East Boston and South Boston to report in print.

On motion of Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, and of Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, respectively, it was voted, that the committees on the subject of a High school in East Boston, and a High school in South Boston, have leave to report in print.

Mr. Norton offered the following: —

Brighton-Harvard School; accommodations.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish additional accommodations for the Harvard Grammar School of the Brighton District.

Referred to the Committee on School-houses, etc.

Mr. Baldwin offered the following: —

Detention of scholars during recess.

Ordered, That in no instance shall a scholar be detained in the school-room during recess as a punishment for an imperfect lesson, or for any other reason.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Seaverns offered the following order, and it was referred to the Committee on Salaries: —

Helen O. Wyman; maximum salary.

Ordered, That Miss Helen O. Wyman, a teacher in the Lowell School District, in consideration of her previous services in the schools of Boston, be placed upon the maximum salary.

Adjourned, on motion of Mr. Walker.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN, *Secretary*.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, May 18, 1875.

A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, agreeably to adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the eighteenth day of May, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

Mr. Wilbur moved and it was voted that the roll be called to see if a quorum were present. The roll was called and the following members responded to their names, viz.: — Roll-call.

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 1, Beaumont, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Blakemore, Boothby, Chapin, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Curtis, Dillaway, Dunn, Emery, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Frost, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4, Green, Miss Hale, Messrs. Jenkins, Kneeland, Learnard, Leavitt, Lynch, Marden, Miss May, Messrs. McDonald, Miller, Neal, Noble, Norton, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Plummer, Porter, of Ward 16, Quinn, Slade, Smalley, Southworth, Thayer, Tilden, Tripp, Walker, and Wilbur — 45. Members present.

Thereupon it appeared that forty-five members were present, and not a quorum. No quorum.

A motion by Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, to adjourn, having been lost, it was subsequently voted, on motion of Mr. Norton, that the roll be called, and the following named members responded thereto, to wit: — Roll-call.

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 1, Beaumont, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Blakemore, Boothby, Chapin, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Members present.

Cruft, Curtis, Dillaway, Dunn, Emery, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Frost, Gilbert, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4, Green, Miss Hale, Messrs. Hutchins, Jenkins, Kneeland, Learnard, Leavitt, Lynch, Maguire, Marden, Miss May, Messrs. McCarthy, McDonald, McDonough, Miller, Neal, Noble, Norton, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Plummer, Porter, of Ward 16, Reynolds, Seaverns, Smalley, Southworth, Thayer, Thomson, Tilden, Toland, Tolman, Tripp, Walker and Wilbur. — 56.

No quorum.

Whereupon it appeared that fifty-six members were present, and not a quorum.

On motion of Mr. Toland, the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

In School Committee, June 8, 1875.

A quarterly meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the eighth day of June, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P.M. The Vice-President in the Chair.

Absent: Messrs. Chaney, Curtis, Dillaway, Gaffney, Giddings, Gillespie, Gray, of Ward 10, Greene, Lyndon, Maguire, McCarty, Mills, Moran, Newcomb, O'Connor, O'Kane, Parkman, Ryan, Seymour, Tuckerman, Underwood, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

The Chair read the concurrence of the Mayor and Aldermen in the proposition of this Board for a convention for the purpose of filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles L. Flint, of Ward 10. Convention.

The convention was held, His Honor the Mayor in the Chair.

Mr. Baldwin, from the committee appointed to nominate a candidate, reported the name of John Jameson. Accepted.

The Chair appointed Alderman Quincy and Messrs. Baldwin and Fletcher a committee to collect the ballots; who reported that the whole number of ballots was 78; necessary for a choice, under the rules, 64. John Jameson had 62; Eben R. Frost had 2; Charles L. Flint had 8; all others 6; and there was no choice. 1st Ballot.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, proceeded to another ballot. Mr. Shattuck proposed, and advocated, the election of Eben R. Frost.

2d Ballot.

Second ballot: Whole number of ballots, 85; necessary for a choice, 64. John Jameson had 47; Eben R. Frost had 17; Charles L. Flint had 16; all others 5; and there was no choice.

3d Ballot.

Third ballot: Whole number of ballots, 89; necessary for a choice, 64. John Jameson had 23; Eben R. Frost had 33; Charles L. Flint had 32; and there was no choice.

4th Ballot.

Fourth ballot: Whole number of ballots, 97; necessary for a choice, 64. John Jameson had 10; Eben R. Frost had 56; Charles L. Flint had 30; Eben R. Fogg had 1; and there was no choice.

5th Ballot.

Fifth ballot: Whole number of ballots, 97; necessary for a choice, 64. John Jameson had 7; Eben R. Frost had 84; Charles L. Flint had 3; all others 3. And Eben R. Frost was declared elected.

Eben R. Frost, elected.

The business of the convention having been accomplished, the two Boards separated.

Resignation of Francis H. Underwood.

The Chair read the resignation of Mr. Underwood as a member of the Board from Ward 12.

On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, the resignation was laid on the table.

Vacancies in committees filled.

The Chair made the following appointments for filling vacancies in the place of Charles L. Flint, resigned, to wit: Mr. Adams, of Ward 16, on the Committee on the Girls' High School; and Mr. Williamson on the Committee on Text-Books.

Opinion of City Solicitor; instruction in Sewing.

The Chair read the opinion of the City Solicitor upon the question as to the legal right of this Board to employ special teachers of Sewing.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, the paper was laid upon the table and ordered to be printed.

On motion of Mr. Reynolds, —

Adjournment.

Voted, That when the Board adjourn, it adjourn to Tuesday evening next, at half-past seven o'clock.

The following teachers were confirmed: — Teachers confirmed, etc.

English High School. — Samuel C. Smith, and Samuel Harrington, sub-masters.

Dearborn School. — Louise M. Epmeyer, an assistant.

Rice School. — Ellen M. Barbour, an assistant.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Girls' High School. — Ella R. Cole, assistant teacher of Chemistry and Botany; Mary G. Darling, teacher of Latin; Emily M. Deland, teacher of Physical Culture; — commencing with the next school year.

Andrew School. — Martha A. Jackson, an assistant, commencing March 8th.

Eliot School District. — Sophia E. Raycroft, an assistant, commencing May 1st; and Annie Gillespie a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 1st.

Lawrence School District. — Sarah Mahoney, commencing Feb. 8th.

Prescott School District. — Ernestine Ditson, a Primary teacher, commencing May 1st.

Winthrop School. — May Gertrude Ladd, master's assistant, commencing May 25th.

West Roxbury School District. — Hannah O. Noyes, master's assistant in the Central School, commencing May 17th.

The resignations of the following teachers were presented and accepted.

Eliot School. — Hannah M. Seavey, an assistant, to take effect May 1st.

Prescott School District. — Elizabeth W. Hazell, a Primary teacher, to take effect May 1st.

Mr. Kneeland, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations, submitted and read the report of that Report of Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Examinations for Diplomas and admission to High Schools.

committee upon the order, April 27, proposing that the Diploma examination in the Grammar schools and the examination for admission to the various High schools be based upon a single series of questions, etc.

The committee proposed for adoption the following orders: —

Ordered, That there be, the present year, an examination of candidates for admission to the High schools at the various High school buildings, on Wednesday, July 7, at nine o'clock, A.M., to be conducted in the manner prescribed by the rules of the Board.

Ordered, That a committee of three be appointed by this Board to prepare, in consultation with the head-masters, the examination questions; and to decide upon the standard of admission to the High schools; and that such parts of the rules of the Board as this order may conflict with be and hereby are suspended.

Ordered, That no candidate from any one of the Grammar schools be received for examination without a certificate of character and qualification from the master.

After some discussion, the previous question having been ordered, on motion of Mr. Filkins, the several orders were adopted.

In pursuance of the provisions of the second order, the Chair nominated the following committee, and the Board confirmed the nomination; to wit: —

Messrs. Chaney, Adams, of Ward 16, and Hutchins. Mr. Hutchins subsequently declined serving, and Mr. Brown was appointed instead.

Report of the Committee on Truant Officers.

Mr. Fitzgerald, from the Committee on Truant Officers, read reports of that committee, as follows: —

1. Upon the order, Feb. 9th, proposing that the truant officers be detailed to attend the sessions of the evening schools, — that it is inexpedient to employ said officers to perform that duty. Accepted.

2. Upon the order, Feb. 9th, directing the committee to consider whether some plan or system could not be adopted for the government and regulation of the truant force, etc.; and whether an additional officer is required in South Boston.

The committee reported that the system previously arranged was satisfactory; and under its provisions an additional officer is not needed. Accepted.

Report of Committee on Text-Books.

Mr. Hutchins submitted the annual report of the Committee on Text Books; and, upon his motion, the report was laid on the table and ordered to be printed.

The committee submitted for adoption the following orders: —

1. *Ordered*, That Leigh's method of teaching Reading be introduced into the lower classes in all the Primary schools.

2. *Ordered*, That Swinton's Language Lessons be used as a text-book in the Third class in the Grammar schools.

[This book is now used in the 4th, 5th, and 6th classes.]

3. *Ordered*, That Hillard's Franklin Series of readers be introduced into the schools, as new classes are formed, in place of the older series by the same author.

[The Fourth and Fifth books of the series have been already adopted.]

4. *Ordered*, That Tower's Intellectual Algebra and Hill's First Lessons in Geometry be introduced into the English High School.

5. *Ordered*, That Peabody's Moral Philosophy be introduced into the English High School, in place of any book upon the same subject now in use.

6. *Ordered*, That Norton's Physics, and Andrews' Constitution of the United States, be introduced into the Girls' High School, in place of any books upon the same subjects now in use.

7. *Ordered*, That Keetel's Elementary French Grammar be introduced into the Girls' High School, as new classes are formed, in place of the book now in use.

8. *Ordered*, That Keetel's Elementary French Grammar, and Keetel's Analytical and Practical French Grammar, be introduced into the Roxbury High School, as new classes are formed, in place of any books now in use.

9. *Ordered*, On the recommendation of the Committee on Drawing, that Walter Smith's Drawing Books, — Perspective, Nos. 1, 2, 3, and Model and Object, No. 2, — be introduced into the schools.

[With this introduction, the following will be in use in the schools: Freehand, Nos, 1 to 6; Geometrical, Nos. 1 to 4; Model and Object, Nos. 1 and 2; Perspective, Nos. 1 to 3; Primary Cards, Nos. 1 and 2; Freehand Manual; Primary Manual.]

10. *Ordered*, That one copy of the Geography called "Our World No. 2," be furnished, for reference, to each room in the Grammar schools.

Report of Committee on School-houses, etc.

Mr. Noble, from the Committee on School-houses and School-sections, presented reports upon matters which had been referred to that committee: —

Accommodations for the Minot School, Neponset.

1. Upon the petition of citizens of Neponset, asking for better school accommodations for the Minot School District; and offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide additional accommodations for the Minot School, in Neponset, Ward 16. Passed.

2. Upon the order, March 9th, to request the City Council to prepare a room in the Adams school-house, for the use of the master; — that the order ought to pass. Accepted, and the order was adopted.

Adams School-house; room for the master.

3. Upon the order, May 11th, to request the City Council to furnish additional accommodations for the Brighton-Harvard School District, — recommending the passage of the order. Accepted, and the order passed.

Brighton-Harvard School; accommodations.

Mr. Noble, from the special committee to whom were referred, March 23d, petitions for the establishment of a High School in East Boston, submitted the report of that committee in print; and offered the following orders and moved their adoption: —

A High School in East Boston.

Ordered, That a High School for boys and girls be established at East Boston, commencing on the second Monday of September next, and to be known as the East Boston High School.

Ordered, That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be instructed to prepare a suitable set of rules for the government of said High School, and also a programme embracing, for the first year of this school, the studies usually required for the first year in the English High and Girls' High School.

Ordered, That the President of the Board be requested to nominate a committee of seven, who shall have charge of said school.

On motion of Mr. Ordway, the report was laid on the table.

Mr. Kneeland submitted the report, in print, of the

Report of the Committee on

Rules and Regulations; a more uniform organization of the Grammar Schools.

Committee on Rules and Regulations, upon the subject of a more uniform organization of the Grammar Schools, and the following orders: —

I. That, after the present school year, the grade of Master's Assistant in the High and Grammar Schools, and that of Head Assistant in the same schools, be abolished.

Full Grammar School. Girls.

II. That every Grammar School for girls alone which has at any period of the year four hundred grammar scholars, have, beside the Master of the district, a First Assistant, a Second Assistant, a Third Assistant, and Fourth Assistants.

Full Grammar School. Boys.

III. That every Grammar School for boys alone, which has at any period of the year four hundred grammar scholars, have, beside the Master of the district, a Sub-Master, an Usher, a Third Assistant, and Fourth Assistants.

Full Grammar School. Mixed.

IV. That every Grammar School in which both boys and girls are taught, and which has at any period of the year four hundred grammar scholars, have, beside the Master of the district and Fourth Assistants, four teachers above the latter grade, of such rank as the School Board, at the request of the committee of each school, may approve.

Smaller Grammar Schools. Chief teacher.

5. That, in a Grammar School in which the whole number of grammar scholars remains throughout the year less than two hundred and fifty, no teacher of higher grade than Sub-Master be allowed; in a Grammar School in which the whole number of grammar scholars remains throughout the year less than one hundred and fifty, no teacher of higher grade than Usher be allowed.

Grammar Schools of one hundred and

6. That, whenever any Grammar School has at any period of the year one hundred and fifty grammar

scholars, one of the assistants may have the grade of Third Assistant.. fifty scholars. Subordinate teachers.

7. That a Grammar School which has at any period of the year two hundred and fifty grammar scholars may have, beside the Third Assistant and the teacher in charge of the district, a Second Assistant, if the school be for girls alone, an Usher if for boys alone; and, when both sexes are taught, beside the Third Assistant and the teacher in charge of the district, either another Third Assistant and a Second Assistant, or another Third Assistant and an Usher, as the committee of each school, with the approval of the Board, may in this latter case decide. Grammar Schools of two hundred and fifty scholars. Subordinate teachers.

VIII. That a teacher be appointed to aid the teacher in charge of each district in the instruction of the highest room of the Grammar School; to be appointed in addition to the regular teachers of the school, and to have the grade of Third Assistant, Second Assistant, or First Assistant, according as the teacher in charge of the district is Usher, Sub-Master, or Master, Teacher aiding in highest grammar room.

IX. That every teacher in charge of a district be required to spend not less than one-third of the school hours in the instruction of the highest room of the Grammar School.

10. That in the several High Schools any teacher other than a Head Master may be nominated with the grade of Master, Sub-Master, Usher, First Assistant, Second Assistant, or Third Assistant, at the discretion of the committee of the school; the selection of the grade to be in every case subject to the approval of the Board. High School teachers.

11. That no regular teacher of lower grade than those herein mentioned be appointed in any High School.

Smaller High Schools.

12. That in a High School in which the number of scholars remains throughout the year less than one hundred and fifty, no teacher be appointed of higher grade than Master.

Sex of High and Grammar School teachers.

XIII. That the teacher at the head of each High School, and the teacher in charge of a Grammar School district, be a man; a teacher appointed to aid the teacher in charge of a Grammar School district in the instruction of the highest room in the Grammar School, be a woman; all other grades in the High Schools and in the Grammar Schools be open to teachers of either sex, as the committee of each school may from time to time determine: *provided*, that in the High Schools for boys alone, one-half the regular teachers be men; that in the High School for girls alone, not less than one-seventh of the regular teachers, the head-master not included, be men; and that in every Grammar School, in which there are at any period of the year four hundred Grammar School boys, there be appointed, beside the Master of the district, two other male teachers.

14. That all rules of the Board, and parts of rules, which conflict with the foregoing orders, be hereby repealed.

15. That the Committee on Rules and Regulations be directed to cancel all such conflicting provisions, and to embody in the rules of the Board, at the appropriate sections, orders from two to thirteen, inclusive, of the foregoing series.

The report was received, and laid upon the table.

Report of the Committee on the Kindergarten School; schools for Kindergarten instructions.

Miss Hale submitted the report, in print, of the Committee on the Kindergarten School, who were instructed, March 23d, to consider and report as to the expediency of establishing schools for Kin-

dergarten instruction in different sections of the city, etc.

The committee recommended for adoption the following order: —

Ordered, That, at the beginning at the next school-year, four schools for Kindergarten instruction shall be established, to admit children at the age of three years, and to continue the course of instruction for four years.

1. One in Charlestown.
2. One at the North End of Boston, in the Hancock School District.
3. One in South Boston, in the Lawrence School District.
4. One in Roxbury, in rooms to be hereafter assigned; — with a Kindergarten teacher for each school, and the necessary apparatus.

On motion of Mr. Merrill, the report was laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Merrill, —

Voted, to proceed to the annual election of Instructors.

Annual Election of Instructors.

The Chair called upon the several High school and District committees to make their nominations of candidates for the places of head-masters, and masters of the Grammar schools.

The committees then severally made their nominations, excepting the committees on the Dorchester-Everett, Quincy and Wells School Districts, who were granted further time.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland, it was voted to omit, in balloting, the masterships of the three schools named.

The Chair appointed a committee to collect, assort

and count the votes, consisting of Messrs. Porter, of Ward 16, Jenkins, Miller, Locke and Seaverns.

The Board then balloted, and the committee reported that the whole number of ballots was 87; necessary for a choice by the rules, 60; and that the following-named persons, respectively, had the number of ballots set against their names, to wit: —

Latin School, — Francis Gardner,	79
English High School, — Edwin P. Seaver,	87
Girls' High School, — Samuel Eliot,	84
Normal School, — Larkin Dunton,	87
Roxbury High School, — Samuel M. Weston,	87
Dorchester High School, — Elbridge Smith,	87
West Roxbury High School, — Edward W. Howe,	87
Brighton High School, — Benjamin Wormelle,	87
Charlestown High School, — Caleb Emery,	87
Adams School, — Robert C. Metcalf,	86
Andrew School, — Leander Waterman,	87
Bigelow School, — Thomas H. Barnes,	87
Bowditch School, — Alfred Hewins,	85
Bowdoin School, — Daniel C. Brown,	87
Brimmer School, — Joshua Bates,	87
Chapman School, — George R. Marble,	86
Comins School, — Charles W. Hill,	86
Dearborn School, — William H. Long,	86
Dudley (Boys') School, — Leverett M. Chase,	77
Dudley (Girls') School (Princ.) — Sarah J. Baker,	71
Dwight School, — James A. Page,	86
Eliot School, — Samuel W. Mason,	87
Everett School, — George B. Hyde,	87
Franklin School, — Granville B. Putnam,	87
Gaston School, — C. Goodwin Clark,	86
Gibson School, — William E. Endicott,	86

Hancock School, — James W. Webster, 86
Harris School, — Edwin T. Horne, 87
Lawrence School, — Amos M. Leonard, 87
Lewis School, — Wm. L. P. Boardman, 86
Lincoln School, — Alonzo G. Ham, 85
Lowell School, — Daniel W. Jones, 70
Lyman School, — Hosea H. Lincoln, 87
Mather School, — Daniel B. Hubbard, 86
Mayhew School, — Samuel Swan, 86
Minot School, — Joseph T. Ward, Jr. 87
Norcross School, — Josiah A. Stearns, 81
Phillips School, — James Hovey, 74
Prescott School, — James F. Blackinton, 86
Rice School, — Lucius A. Wheelock. 86
Sherwin School, — Silas C. Stone, 86
Shurtleff School, — Henry C. Hardon, 86
Stoughton School, — Edward M. Lancaster, 85
Tileston School, — Henry B. Miner, 87
Winthrop School, — Robert Swan, 86
Mount Vernon School, — Abner J. Nutter, 87
Central School, — John P. Gibson, 87
Florence School, — Artemas Wiswell, 87
Hillside School, — Albert F. Ring, 86
Brighton-Harvard School, — George W. M. Hall, 87
Bennett School, — Edward H. Hammond, 87
Bunker Hill School, — Samuel J. Bullock, 87
Charlestown-Winthrop School, — Caleb Murdock, 86
Warren School, — George Swan, 87
Charlestown-Prescott School, — George T. Littlefield, 87
Charlestown-Harvard School,—Warren E. Eaton, 77

All of the foregoing had the requisite number of ballots for an election, and were declared elected.

The committees on the Latin, Normal and several High Schools and Grammar School Districts, excepting the Andrew, Chapman, and Prescott School Districts, and the committees on the School for Deaf Mutes, the School for Licensed Minors and the Kindergarten School, then nominated the subordinate and other teachers in the various schools and districts, who were afterwards confirmed.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Ordway, that the messenger communicate to the various newspapers the result of the ballotings.

Mr. Kneeland offered the following order, and moved a suspension of the rules for its passage. The rules were suspended, and the order passed: —

Exhibitions of the High and Grammar Schools.

Ordered, That the several exhibitions of the High and Grammar schools shall be this year held on one of the last four days of the week preceding July 4th.

On motion of Mr. Noble, —

School sessions suspended.

Ordered, That the sessions of the public schools be suspended on the seventeenth instant.

Mr. Chaney offered the following order: —

English High School, lecture-room, etc.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to prepare a room in the Bowditch School building, South street, as a lecture room for Chemistry and Physics, and provide cases for the apparatus now on hand, and to be purchased, for the use of the English High School.

On motion of Mr. Toland, the rules were suspended to allow the passage of the order, and the order was then adopted.

Committees on Drawing and the Girls' High School to report in print.

On motion of Mr. Perkins the Committee on Drawing and the Committee on the Girls' High School were given leave to report in print.

Mr. Perkins offered the following orders: —

1. *Ordered*, That the Committee on the Girls' High School be authorized to employ a teacher of gymnastics for the next school year.

Teacher of Gymnastics for the Girls' High School.

2. *Ordered*, That the salary of this teacher be fixed at six hundred dollars a year.

The first of the orders was referred, on motion of Mr. Shattuck, to the Committee on Vocal and Physical Culture; the second order was referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Perkins offered the following order: —

Evening Drawing Schools.

Ordered, That sect. 2, chap. XI. of the Rules and Regulations, relating to the term of the Evening Drawing Schools, be thus amended: —

There shall be one term of the Evening Drawing Schools, commencing on the first Monday in October, and ending on the first Tuesday of April.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Chaney offered the following order: —

English High School; books for study of English literature.

Ordered, That thirty copies each of such books as may be selected for use in the study of English Literature be provided on request of the head-master, approved by the chairman of the English High School Committee.

Referred to the Committee on Text-Books.

A proposition, offered by Mr. Smalley, in connection with the nomination of Hannah O. Noyes, master's assistant in the Central School, West Roxbury District, — that Miss Noyes be paid a salary of $700 per annum, — was referred to the Committee on Salaries.

On motion of Mr. Neal, the meeting then adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN, *Secretary*.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, June 15, 1875.

A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the fifteenth day of June, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Ordway the roll was called, to see if a quorum were present, and the following-named members responded as their names were called, viz. : — Roll-call: members present.

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 14, Allen, of Ward 1, Beaumont, Beckley, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Blakemore, Brown, Campbell, Carty, Chaney, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Deblois, Dillaway, Dunn, Fallon, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Fraser, Frost, Gilbert, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4, Green, of Ward 7, Miss Hale, Messrs. Hayden, Hutchins, Jenkins, Kneeland, Learnard, Leavitt, Lynch, Marden, Miss May, Messrs. McDonough, Merrill, Miller, Murphy, Neal, Newcomb, Noble, O'Kane, Ordway, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Perkins, Plummer, Porter, of Ward 16, Quinn, Reynolds, Ricker, Ryan, Seaverns, Slade, Smalley, Still, Thayer, Thompson, Tilden, Tucker, Walker, Mrs. Wells, Messrs. Wilbur, Willard and Williamson; — whereby it appeared that sixty-seven members were present, and a quorum.

The following-named members afterwards appeared and were present at the meeting, viz. : — Ditto.

Messrs. Allen, of Ward 12, Baldwin, Chapin, Emery, Kinsley, McCarthy, Norton, Porter, of Ward 2, Southworth, Tuckerman, Williams, and Wilson.

Petition; Jewish children in the Public Schools to be absent on their Sabbath.

The Chair read the petition of the Congregation Ohabei Sholom and residents of the Hebrew persuasion, — asking the Board to allow children of Jewish parents to be absent from school on their Sabbath and festival days, without detriment to their rank, etc., in school. Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Annual Election of Instructors.

The Andrew and Prescott School District Committees nominated the subordinate and Primary teachers in those districts, and they were confirmed.

Instructors of Music elected.

Mr. Ordway, from the Committee on Music, made the following nominations, to wit: Julius Eichberg, General Supervisor of Music; J. Monroe Mason, Lucy H. Garlin, Hiram Wilde, Joseph B. Sharland, H. E. Holt and Luther W. Mason, Musical Directors; all of which nominations were confirmed.

W. Roxbury and Brighton Districts.

Upon the recommendation of the Committee on Music, the West Roxbury and Brighton Districts were made one district for supervision in Music, under the direction of Miss Garlin.

Miss Garlin's salary.

The recommendation of the Committee on Music, that the salary of Miss Garlin be $1,800 per annum, was referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Horse-keeping for a teacher of music.

Mr. Ordway submitted the recommendation of the Committee on Music, that the expense for horse-keeping incurred by Mr. Hiram Wilde be paid by the city, — on account of the large extent of territory required to be travelled over in the performance of his duties. Referred, with full powers, to the Committee on Accounts.

Instructors in Drawing elected.

Mr. Perkins, from the Committee on Drawing, nominated the teachers in that department, as follows: — Walter Smith, General Supervisor; Charles A. Barry, Henry Hitchings, Mary Carter, Mercy A.

Bailey, Lucas Baker, and Benjamin F. Nutting, Special Instructors. Said nominations were confirmed.

Mr. Slade nominated Col. Hobart Moore, as instructor in Military Drill, and the Board confirmed the nomination. Instructor in Military Drill elected.

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and it was voted to proceed to an election for the choice of a master of the Quincy School. Quincy School: master elected.

Mr. Fitzgerald nominated for the position, Mr E. Frank Wood.

The Chair appointed a committee, consisting of Messrs. Fitzgerald, Walker, and Gray, of Ward 4, to collect the ballots.

The committee proceeded, and afterwards reported that the whole number of ballots was 71; that there were 7 blanks; that three persons had 1 vote each; and that E. Frank Wood had 61. Sixty votes being necessary for a choice, Mr. Wood was declared elected.

The Chair called for the quarterly reports, which were then submitted without being read, with the exception of the reports on the Latin, Girls' High, Dorchester High, West Roxbury High, Brighton High, and Charlestown High Schools; and the Andrew, Bigelow, Bunker Hill, Comins, Dudley, Eliot, Everett, Franklin, Gaston, Lawrence, Lowell, Minot, Norcross, Prescott, Charlestown-Prescott, Stoughton, Tileston, Winthrop, Charlestown-Winthrop, Mount Vernon, Central, Florence, Hillside, Brighton-Harvard, and Bennet School Districts, on which further time was granted. Quarterly Reports.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, the Board took from the table and considered the report of the Committee on Text-books, submitted June 8th. The several orders were considered separately. Report of the Committee on Text-books.

Order No. 4 was adopted.

Order No. 9 was adopted, — the question thereon being taken by yeas and nays, as follows: —

Yeas: Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 14, Allen, of Ward 1, Baldwin, Beckley, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Blakemore, Brown, Campbell, Carty, Chaney, Chapin, Deblois, Dillaway, Dunn, Fallon, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Frost, Gilbert, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4, Green, of Ward 7, Miss Hale, Messrs. Hayden, Hutchins, Jenkins, Kinsley, Kneeland, Leavitt, Lynch, Marden, McCarthy, Neal, Newcomb, Noble, Ordway, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Perkins, Porter, of Ward 16, Reynolds, Ryan, Seaverns, Smalley, Southworth, Still, Thayer, Thomson, Tilden, Walker, Wilbur, Willard, Williams and Wilson. — 56.

Nays: Mr. Cruft, Miss May, Messrs. McDonough, Norton, O'Kane, Plummer, Porter, of Ward 2, Ricker, Slade, and Williamson. — 10.

The other orders were rejected.

Examinations for admission to the High Schools.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland, the Board reconsidered the order, passed June 8th, fixing July 7th as the day for the examination of candidates for admission to the High Schools.

Mr. Kneeland then moved to substitute, in the said order, the words "Friday, July 2d," for "Wednesday, July 7th," and the motion passed.

Annual Exhibitions.

The question was then taken upon the order as amended, and the order was adopted.

Mr. Kneeland moved a reconsideration of the order, passed June 8th, fixing the days for holding the exhibitions of the High and Grammar Schools, and the motion passed.

Mr. Kneeland then moved to strike out in said order the words "on one of the last four days of the week

preceding July 4th," and insert "on one of the four days commencing with June 28th."

The motion to strike out and insert was adopted.

The order as amended was then adopted.

High School in East Boston. Yeas and Nays.

On motion of Mr. Noble, the Board took from the table the report, made June 8th, of the special committee upon the subject of a High School in East Boston.

The question upon the orders was taken by yeas and nays, on motion of Mr. Noble, and the orders were adopted, as follows: —

Yeas: Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 14, Allen, of Ward 1, Baldwin, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Brown, Campbell, Carty, Chapin, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Dunn, Filkins, Fletcher, Gilbert, Gorely, Green, of Ward 7, Miss Hale, Messrs. Hayden, Kneeland, Leavitt, Lynch, Marden, McCarthy, McDonough, Miller, Murphy, Neal, Noble, Norton, O'Kane, Ordway, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Plummer, Porter, of Ward 16, Porter, of Ward 2, Ricker, Ryan, Seaverns, Slade, Southworth, Still, Thomson, Tilden, Walker, Willard, Williams and Wilson. — 48.

Nays: Messrs. Beckley, Chaney, Cruft, Deblois, Dillaway, Fitzgerald, Frost, Gray, of Ward 4, Jenkins, Miss May, Mr. Reynolds and Mrs. Wells. — 12.

Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, offered the following: —

Accommodations for the High School in East Boston.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide suitable accommodations for the East Boston High School.

Referred, with full powers, to the Committee on School Houses and School Sections.

Vacancies in Committees filled.

The Chair nominated Mr. Eben R. Frost upon the committees on the Franklin and Rice School Districts, to fill vacancies caused by the resignation of Mr. Flint.

Adjournment.

Voted, On motion of Mr. Kneeland, that when the Board adjourn it adjourn to the time of the regular meeting of the Board in July.

Salaries of Instructors.

Mr. Brown submitted a schedule of the salaries of the instructors, — being the schedule, with slight exceptions, adopted by the Board, October, 1874; and offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the salaries of the instructors in the Latin and English High Schools for the year ending Sept. 1, 1876, be as follows: —

Head-master, first year,	$3,500;	subsequently	$4,000	per annum.
Masters, " "	2,800;	"	3,200	" "
Sub-Masters, " "	2,200;	"	2,600	" "
Ushers in Latin School,	1,700;	"	2,000	" "
Instructor in Military Drill		.....	1,500	" "
Teacher of French in the Latin School		.....	600	" "
" " German " " "		.....	200	" "
" " French in the English High School,			1,800	" "

Before considering the order, a question was raised as to whether a quorum was present, and it was ascertained, upon a count, that a quorum was not present.

Thereupon the Board adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, July 13, 1875.

A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the thirteenth day of July, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Ordway, the roll was called to see if a quorum were present; and the following-named members responded as their names were called, to wit: — Roll-call; members present.

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 14, Allen, of Ward 12, Allen, of Ward 1, Beaumont, Bigelow, Blakemore, Boothby, Brown, Campbell, Chapin, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Dillaway, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Frost, of Ward 10, Gaffney, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4, Gray, of Ward 10, Greene, of Ward 16, Miss Hale, Messrs. Hobbs, Hutchins, Jenkins, Kneeland, Learnard, Leavitt, Locke, Lynch, Lyndon, McCarthy, McDonough, Neal, Norton, O'Kane, O'Neil, Ordway, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Plummer, Porter, of Ward 16, Reynolds, Rice, Ryan, Seaverns, Slade, Southworth, Still, Thayer, Tilden, Toland, Tolman, Tripp, Tuckerman, Washburn, Mrs. Wells, Messrs. Wilbur, Willard, Williams, Wilson and Wright; — whereby it appeared that there were sixty-four members present, and a quorum.

The following-named gentlemen afterwards appeared, and were present at the meeting, viz.: —

Messrs. Darling, Emery, Gilbert, Newcomb, Porter, of Ward 2, Ricker, Smalley and Thomson.

Minutes amended.

Mr. Reynolds moved to amend the minutes of the last meeting, so that the following should appear, as offered by himself, in connection with the matter of the salaries of the instructors, to wit: —

Ordered, That the salaries of ushers, sub-masters and masters be respectively sixteen hundred dollars, twenty-two hundred dollars, and twenty-eight hundred dollars; with an increase of one hundred dollars for each succeeding year of continuous service, till those salaries become respectively two thousand dollars, twenty-six hundred dollars, and thirty-two hundred dollars.

The motion for amending the minutes was adopted.

Salaries of Instructors.

The Chair stated the business before the meeting to be the consideration of the annual report of the Committee on Salaries, offered by Mr. Brown, which was pending at the time of the adjournment at the last meeting.

Mr. Filkins moved the adoption of the following as a substitute: —

Ordered, That the salaries of the instructors for the next school year be according to the schedule as now fixed, with the following exceptions: —

That no salary be established for the teacher of Drawing in the English High School, or sub-master, master's assistant and head-assistant in the Charlestown High School.

That a salary of $600 per annum be paid the teacher of gymnastics, in place of a teacher of physical culture, in the Girls' High School.

That the salary of the teacher of French in the Dorchester High School be reduced $100.

That the teacher of Drawing in the Girls' High School be employed two additional hours a week, at a salary of $1,000 instead of $800 per annum.

That the salary of teachers of sewing shall not exceed the salary of an assistant in any school.

The question was taken on the amendment offered by Mr. Reynolds, and it was rejected.

The question being then on the substitute offered by Mr. Filkins, Mr. Kneeland moved to amend the same by adding to it the following: —

That the teachers of the second class of boys in mixed schools containing more than five hundred pupils shall receive a salary of one thousand dollars.

The amendment was adopted.

The previous question being ordered, on motion of Mr. Ordway, the question was taken upon substituting the order offered by Mr. Filkins, as amended, for the original order, and the substitution was carried.

The question was then upon adopting the order as substituted, and the order was adopted.

Annual election of Instructors.

Mr. Campbell nominated for re-election the subordinate teachers in the Chapman School, and the Primary teachers in that district, — excepting Miss Elizabeth M. Gregory, whose resignation the Board accepted, taking effect Aug. 31st. The said nominations were confirmed.

Teachers confirmed, etc.

Mr. Campbell also nominated for confirmation Miss H. Ella Peaslee, an assistant in the Chapman School, commencing Feb. 8th, and the nomination was confirmed.

Mr. Slade nominated for re-election Mr. Moses T. Brown, as teacher of vocal culture, and the nomination was confirmed.

Mr. Slade nominated for re-election Miss Maria L. Macomber, a head-assistant, and Miss Olive M. E. Rowe, an assistant, in the Hancock School, — omitted

in the list of teachers elected June 8th; and the Board confirmed the nominations.

Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, nominated for confirmation Mr. J. Willard Brown, sub-master in the Prescott School, and the nomination was confirmed.

Mr. Allen then nominated Mr. J. Willard Brown for re-election as sub-master in the Prescott School, and the Board confirmed the nomination.

Mr. Tilden nominated for re-election Miss Victoria M. Goss, an assistant in the Phillips School, and said nomination was confirmed.

Mr. Thayer nominated, as being on probation, Miss E. B. Jenkins, a Primary teacher in the Andrew School District, commencing June 1st.

Committee on High School in East Boston.

The Chair, agreeably to an order passed June 15th, appointed the following gentlemen as the committee on the High School in East Boston, viz.: — Messrs. Noble, Washburn, Plummer, Allen, of Ward 1, Willard, Campbell and Fletcher; and the Board confirmed the nomination.

Upon motion of Mr. Washburn, —

James Robinson appointed.

Ordered, That James Robinson be appointed an assistant teacher for the next school year, to perform such services and give such instruction in arithmetic and book-keeping as he may be called upon to perform by the chairman of any of our district committees; his salary to be the same as for the past year.

Truant officers; report of committee on.

Mr. Fitzgerald, from the Committee on Truant Officers, nominated Mr. Samuel McIntosh as a truant officer on probation for three months.

Mr. Fitzgerald, from the same committee, submitted a report, which he moved be laid upon the table and printed, — which motion passed. The report embraced the following orders: —

Ordered, That Chapter IV. be amended by inserting a new section, to be numbered 12, and to read as follows, the remaining sections to be numbered accordingly: —

SECTION 12. The Committee on Truant Officers shall have the general supervision and control of the truant officers employed in connection with the public schools: they shall make such regulations for the government of the officers in the discharge of their duties as may be necessary, and make such assignment of the several school districts as they shall deem expedient. Annually, at the regular meeting in the month of June, or as otherwise ordered by the Board, they shall nomimate suitable persons for truant officers, one of whom shall be designated as chief, and shall report an appropriate compensation for the same. Such officers when confirmed shall hold their office for the ensuing financial year, unless sooner removed by vote of the Board. Annually, in the month of September, the committee shall report to the Board in writing.

Ordered, That the following regulations for the truant-officers be added to the Rules and Regulations as an appendix: —

SECTION 1. The several school districts having been arranged and grouped together, with a view to make the labors of the officers as nearly equal as possible, each truant-officer shall be assigned a district, and shall be held responsible to the special committee on that department, for a judicious and faithful discharge of the duties of his office.

SECT. 2. Each truant-officer shall give his whole time to the position to which he is appointed, except as may be otherwise provided by vacation, which shall be determined by the Committee on Truant Officers. He shall endeavor to procure the attendance at school of all the children of his district, required by law so to do; and shall, by means of argument and persuasion, both with the children and

their parents or guardians, and by other means than force, strive to accomplish such a result.

SECT. 3. When a truant-officer shall not be able to procure the attendance at school, either public or private, of any child who is an habitual truant, or who in accordance with the provisions of statute law ought to attend, it shall be the duty of such officer, after consultation with the chairman of the district committee, or, in his absence, with the chairman of the Committee on Truant Officers, to procure a warrant and arrest such child, who shall be brought for trial before a magistrate having jurisdiction in the case.

SECT. 4. The truant officers shall meet twice in each month, on the first and third Mondays, at 4 P.M., or oftener when considered necessary by the chief, or the chairman of the Committee on Truant Officers. At such meetings they shall confer together as to the most efficient methods of discharging the duties incumbent upon them, and shall report in writing to their chief all cases of truancy or violations of law with regard to the attendance of children at school which they may have investigated. It shall be the duty of the chief to keep a record of the doings of the truant officers, to file their reports, and, once in each month, to transmit to the Committee on Truant Officers a report of the doings of himself and his subordinates.

Chief of the truant force; salary of.

Mr. Fitzgerald moved, and it was voted, to take from the table the request of the Committee on Truant Officers, — March 9th, — that the salary of the "chief" of the truant force be fixed at $1,350 per annum from the first day of March, 1875.

The question was then taken upon the recommendation, and it was adopted.

Truant officers confirmed.

Mr. Fitzgerald nominated the following persons as truant officers, and they were all confirmed: viz., Chase Cole, chief; Charles E. Turner, George M. Felch, Jacob T. Beers, Abraham M. Leavitt, Jeremiah

M. Swett, Charles S. Wooffindale, Henry McDonald, Jr., Phineas Bates, Edward F. Mecuen, James P. Leeds, Sumner P. White, Hannibal F. Ripley.

East Boston High School; regulations.

Mr. Kneeland, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations, who were instructed to prepare regulations for the High School in East Boston, submitted the following, to constitute chapter xxii. of the Rules and Regulations of the Public Schools: —

CHAPTER XXII.

Regulations of the East Boston High School.

Section 1. The East Boston High School is established to furnish those boys and girls who have completed the course of study prescribed in the Grammar schools with an opportunity of pursuing more advanced studies.

Sect. 2. The teachers shall be a head-master, who must be a graduate of a college in good standing, a head-assistant, and as many assistants as may be found necessary, provided that the number of assistants shall not exceed one for every thirty-five pupils; also a special teacher for each of the following studies: French, German, Drawing and Music.

Sect. 3. Candidates for admission to this school must present a certificate of good moral character from their last teacher; must pass a satisfactory examination in spelling, reading, writing, arithmetic, English grammar, modern geography, and history of the United States; and must be not less than twelve years of age.

Sect. 4. The examination of applicants for admission shall be conducted by the instructors of the school, orally and from written questions prepared by them and approved by the standing committee. It shall be the duty of the committee to be present, and to assist at the examination; and the admission of candidates shall be subject to their approval.

Sect. 5. The course of study shall be arranged for three years, and those pupils who have completed it in a manner

satisfactory to the standing committee shall be entitled to receive a diploma.

SECT. 6. There shall be a daily session of the school, excepting on Saturdays and holidays, commencing at 9, A.M., and closing at 2, P.M.

The question was taken upon the adoption of the proposed regulations, and they were adopted.

Programme of studies for the first year.

Mr. Kneeland, from the same committee, also offered the following order, which passed: —

Ordered, That the standing committee of the East Boston High School be authorized to prepare for that school a programme of studies for the first year, from the first year's course of the several High Schools in this city.

Reports of Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Kneeland submitted reports of the Committee on Rules and Regulations upon matters which had been referred to that committee, as follows: —

Evening Drawing Schools.

1. Upon the order offered June 8th, proposing an amendment to chap. xi., sect. 2, relating to Evening Drawing Schools. The committee offered the following: —

Ordered, That chap. xi., sect. 2, be amended by substituting October for November in the third line, and April for May in the fourth line.

The order passed.

Vocal and Physical culture; a teacher of Elocution.

2. Upon the order offered April 27th, proposing to amend chap. iv., sect. 9, — recommending its passage, amended to read as follows: —

Ordered, That chap. iv., sect. 9, be amended by striking out the words "and a superintendent of vocal and physical culture, who shall devote six months of each year to the training of the masters and teachers of all the schools for the personal fulfilment, in their various divisions, of the work in this department;" and inserting in place thereof, "a teacher of

elocution, who shall give instruction to the pupils in the Normal and High Schools."

The question was taken upon the order as amended, and the order was adopted.

Mr. Kneeland also offered the following order: —

Ordered, That chap. xiii., sect. 11, be amended by striking out in the second line the words "by the superintendent in that department."

The order passed.

Mr. Kneeland offered the following, for the passage of which he moved a suspension of the rules. The rules were suspended, and the order was adopted: —

Brighton-Harvard School; salary of Jas. E. Parker.

Ordered, That the salary of James E. Parker, late master of the Brighton-Harvard School, be paid up to April 28th, less the amount paid for temporary service during Mr. Parker's absence on account of sickness.

Schools for Kindergarten Instruction.

Upon motion of Miss Hale, the Board took up the report of the Committee on the Kindergarten School, submitted June 8th.

The question was taken upon adopting the order recommended by the committee, and the order was adopted. (Page 83 of the Minutes.)

On motion of Mr. Gilbert: —

Dorchester-Everett District; Primary accommodations.

Ordered, That the Committee on School-houses and School Sections be authorized to consider the need of increased Primary accommodations in the Dorchester-Everett School District.

Regulations of the Boston Normal School.

Mr. Kneeland moved, and it was voted, to take from the table the proposed regulations of the Boston Normal School.

The Chair read the several sections as found on page 24 of the Minutes, excepting section 8, which appears on page 35 of the Minutes.

The several sections, excepting section 8, were

adopted; and then, on motion of Miss Hale, section 8 was adopted.

The following, therefore, are the regulations of the said School: —

Section 1. The Boston Normal School is established for the purpose of furnishing an opportunity for such young women as wish to become teachers to receive a thorough course of distinct professional instruction, and to fit themselves for teachers in the public schools of Boston.

Sect. 2. The teachers shall be a head-master, who shall be a graduate of a college in good standing, a head-assistant, and as many assistants as may be found necessary, provided the number of assistants shall not exceed one for every thirty pupils. Special instruction in Music and Drawing shall be given in this school, in the same manner as is provided for the High schools of the city, under the direction of the committees on these departments.

Sect. 3. Candidates for admission must signify in writing their intention to teach. A diploma of graduation from either of the Boston High schools shall be considered evidence of qualification for admission. Candidates not graduates of the Boston High schools must pass a satisfactory examination in the ordinary High-school studies, and must present evidence of good moral character. No candidate shall be admitted to this school who is not at least seventeen years of age, except by special vote of the committee of the school.

Sect. 4. The sessions of this school shall begin at nine o'clock A. M., and close at two o'clock P. M., except on Saturdays, when there shall be no session.

Sect. 5. The plan of study shall be arranged for one year. Pupils who have attended for that period, and who have completed the course of study in a manner satisfactory to the committee of the school, shall be entitled to receive a diploma.

Sect. 6. The course of study in this school shall be as follows: —

1. Mental and Moral Science, and Logic.

2. History and Principles of Education, School Management, and Methods of Instruction.

3. Physiology and Hygiene.

4. Physics and Natural History, with reference to Objective Teaching.

5. Study of Language; its history, acquisition and analysis.

6. Grammar School Studies with reference to teaching.

7. Drawing, and its use as a means of illustration in teaching, and Vocal Music.

8. Observation and Practice in Primary and Grammar Schools.

SECT. 7. The text-books used in this school shall be such of the text-books used in the other public schools of the city as are needed for the course of study, and such others as shall be authorized by the School Board.

SECT. 8. Any graduate of this school shall have the preference where teachers are to be employed in the public schools, other things being equal; and such graduate, who is also a graduate of a public high school of this city, when so employed, shall receive the same salary for her first and subsequent years of service that others receive for the second and subsequent years.

SECT. 9. Any graduate of this school who has received a diploma may be elected as assistant in a Grammar school, or teacher of a Primary school, without further examination.

SECT. 10. This school shall close on the first school day in July, with such exercises as the committee of the school may order.

Committee on Vocal and Physical Culture; Mr. Shattuck excused; Mr. Frost appointed.

The Chair submitted the request of Mr. Shattuck to be excused from service on the Committee on Vocal and Physical Culture and Military Drill.

The Board granted the request.

The Chair then nominated Mr. Eben R. Frost to

fill the vacancy in the said committee, and the nomination was confirmed.

Comins School; services of Miss Graham.

Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, submitted a statement from Sarah M. Graham, to the effect that she was paid, under protest, for her services in the room of Mr. H. H. Gould, sub-master in the Comins School, two and a half dollars per day for a portion of the time, instead of six dollars; and asking that she be paid at the rate last named.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Charlestown High School: salaries.

Mr. Neal offered the following: —

Ordered, That the salaries of the following teachers in the Charlestown High School be fixed as follows: — master $3,200; sub-master $2,200; master's assistant $1,500; head-assistant $1,200.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Roxbury High School; salaries, of teachers of French and German.

Mr. Allen, of Ward 14, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the teacher in German and the teacher in French in the Roxbury High School receive each a salary of six hundred dollars for the next school year.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Adjournment.

On motion of Mr. Toland, —

Voted, That, when the Board adjourn, it be to meet on the second Tuesday in September.

Text-books; Swinton's Language Lessons.

Mr. Kneeland moved to reconsider the vote whereby the Board rejected the order No. 2, in the report of the Committee on Text-books, proposing that Swinton's Language Lessons be used as a text-book, etc., — June 15th, — and the motion passed.

The question was then taken upon the order, and it was adopted.

Hillard's Franklin series of Readers.

Mr. Filkins moved a reconsideration of the vote whereby the Board rejected order No. 3, in the report

of the Committee on Text-books, proposing the introduction of Hillard's Franklin Series of Readers. The motion passed.

On motion of Mr. Filkins the order was then recommitted to the Committee on Text-books.

On motion of Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Sept. 14, 1875.

A quarterly and also an adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the fourteenth day of September, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.; Mr. Learnard, the Vice-President, in the Chair.

Absent: Messrs. Allen, of Ward 1, Beaumont, Beckley, Campbell, Curtis, Deblois, Dunn, Emery, Fallon, Frost, of Ward 17, Gaffney, Giddings, Gillespie, Gray, of Ward 4, Gray, of Ward 10, Hayden, Kinsley, Locke, Maguire, Miss May, Messrs. McCarthy, McDonald, Merrill, Miles, Miller, Mills, Moran, Murphy, Neal, O'Connor, Ordway, Parkman, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Perkins, Quinn, Rankin, Shattuck, Underwood, Washburn, Wilson, the President of the Board and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

Upon calling the meeting to order the Chair stated that there was not a quorum present; whereupon, on motion of Mr. Williams, the Board voted to send for absent members.

Upon the appearance of a quorum the Chair called for the reading of the records of the last meeting. On motion, it was voted to dispense with the reading, and the records as they appeared in print were approved.

The Chair read the resignation, as a member of the Board, of Michael J. Green, of Ward 7. The resignation was accepted. Resignation of Mr. Green, of Ward 7.

The Chair also read the request of Mr. Reynolds to be excused from further service on the Committee on the Kindergarten School, and the Board granted the request. Kindergarten School.

Annual Report; committee on.

The Chair appointed the following-named gentlemen as the Committee to prepare the Annual Report of the School Committee, viz.: —

Messrs. Thayer, Perkins, Washburn, McDonald, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Norton, Hutchins, Ricker and Hayden.

Teachers nominated, etc.

The following nominations were made of teachers who are serving upon probation: —

Latin School. — Mr. J. A. Hodge, usher, as teacher of History, date of commencing Sept. 1, — under a suspension of the rules moved by Mr. Reynolds.

West Roxbury High School. — H. W. Warren, master, commencing Sept. 1st. (This nomination was subsequently recommitted.)

Bunker Hill School. — Amy C. Hudson, an assistant.

Comins School. — A. F. Arnes, an assistant, commencing Sept. 1st.

Dwight School. — Mary C. R. Towle, a head-assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

Eliot School. — Granville S. Webster, sub-master, and Lewis H. Dutton, usher, both commencing Sept. 1st.

Franklin School. — Mary L. Wheeler, an assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

Gaston School. — Annie M. Alexander, a head-assistant, commencing Sept. 1st, and Emogene F. Willett, an assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

Charlestown-Harvard School District. — Jennie E. Howard, commencing Sept. 1st.

Phillips School District. — Jennie Eastman, commencing Sept. 6th.

Stoughton School District. — Esther Brooks, a Primary teacher, commencing May 1st.

Warren School. — Effie C. Melvin, a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 1st.

Brighton School District. — Kate McNamara and Anna M. Farrington, Primary teachers in the Brighton-Harvard School District, commencing Sept. 6th.

Notice was given of the transfer of Mary S. Thomas from the Grammar to a Primary school in the Bunker Hill School District.

The resignations of the following teachers were presented and accepted: —

West Roxbury High School. — Frank E. Dimick, master, to take effect Aug. 31st.

Franklin School. — Sarah D. Hamblin, an assistant, to take effect Sept. 1st.

Lewis School. — Maria L. Miller, an assistant, to take effect Aug. 31st.

Lincoln School District. — Mary F. French, a Primary teacher, to take effect Sept. 6th.

Shurtleff School District. — Lavinia B. Pendleton, a head-assistant, to take effect Sept. 1st; and S. C. Dudley, a Primary teacher, to take effect Sept. 19th.

Brighton School District. — Elizabeth W. Gibbs, a Primary teacher in the Brighton-Harvard School District, to take effect Sept. 5th.

Mastership of the Dorchester-Everett school.

Mr. Gilbert, from the Dorchester-Everett District Committee, submitted a statement respecting the mastership of the Grammar school under the charge of that committee; and offered the following order: —

Ordered, That Henry B. Miner be transferred from the mastership of the Tileston to the mastership of the Dorchester-Everett School.

Upon motion of Mr. Hobbs the order was laid upon the table.

West Roxbury High School; nomination recommitted.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland it was voted to recommit to the committee on the West Roxbury High School the nomination of a master in that school.

Wells School; mastership.

Mr. Lyndon offered the following order, and moved to proceed to its consideration at this time, which motion passed: —

Ordered, That Mr. R. G. Chase be placed in temporary charge of the Wells School, as master, until the existing vacancy be filled as provided by the Rules, chap. v.; or until otherwise ordered by the Board.

The matter was then considered at length.

Yeas and nays.

On motion of Mr. Tilden it was voted to take the yeas and nays upon the order; and the yeas and nays were taken, as follows: —

Yeas: Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Blakemore, Carty, Chaney, Dillaway, Gorely, Hobbs, Hutchins, Lynch, Lyndon, Marden, Morse, O'Kane, O'Neil, Plummer, Porter, of Ward 2, Ryan, Seymour, Southworth, Still, Thayer, Thomson, Tilden, Toland, Tolman, Tripp, Tucker, Tuckerman, Walker, Willard and Wright.— 31.

Nays: Messrs. Adams, of Ward 16, Andrews, Bigelow, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Boothby, Chapin, Cilley, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Darling, Fennelly, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Fraser, Gilbert, Greene, of Ward 16, Miss Hale, Messrs. Jenkins, Kneeland, Leavitt, McDonough, Norton, Porter, of Ward 16, Rice, Seaverns, Slade, Mrs. Wells, Messrs. Williams and Williamson. — 30.

Thirty-one members voted yea and thirty members voted nay. So the order passed.

Death of Ira Allen; resolutions.

Mr. Kneeland, announced to the Board the death of Ira Allen, and submitted for adoption the following resolutions: —

Resolved, That, in the death of Ira Allen, M.D., this Board has lost one of its most efficient and valued members.

Resolved, That the deceased is worthy to be held in grateful remembrance for his long term of service on the School Boards of Roxbury and of this city, during which he faithfully discharged onerous duties, exhibiting great practical wisdom, contributing largely to the success of the schools under his particular charge, and aiding in the advancement of educational interests generally.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late fellow-member, with an expression of our sympathy with them in their bereavement.

The question upon the resolutions was taken by a rising vote, on motion of Mr. Hutchins, and they were adopted unanimously.

Mr. Seaverns offered the following: —

Vacancies; convention proposed.

Whereas, Vacancies exist in this Board, caused by the resignation of Michael J. Green, of Ward 7, and the death of Ira Allen, of Ward 14, —

Ordered, That a message be sent to the Mayor and Aldermen, proposing a convention on Tuesday, October 12th, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of filling said vacancies; and that public notice be given of the same, pursuant to law.

The order was adopted.

The Chair appointed the following committees: —

Committees to nominate candidates.

1. To nominate to the Board a person to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Green: Messrs. Toland, Fitzgerald, O'Neil, Thompson and Willard.

2. To nominate to the Board a person to fill the

vacancy caused by the death of Mr. Allen: Messrs. Seaverns, Kneeland, Seymour, Carty and Dillaway.

Industrial Schools; instruction in Sewing.

Mr. Adams, of Ward 16, offered the following: —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to establish an industrial school in each of the Grammar schools in which girls are taught, for the purpose of giving instruction in sewing, as provided by Chapter 86, Acts and Resolves of 1872.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Report of Committee on Text-books; Hillard's Franklin Readers.

Mr. Hutchins, from the Committee on Text-books, reported upon the order which was recommitted to that committee — July 13th — to provide for the introduction of Hillard's Franklin Readers into the schools; — that the order ought to pass.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins the order was laid upon the table.

The following orders were offered, and referred to the Committee on School-houses and School Sections, with full powers, excepting No. 6: —

1. By Mr. Gilbert —

Dorchester-Everett District; Primary School accommodations.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to prepare temporary Primary-school accommodations in the building recently purchased by the city for school purposes in the Dorchester-Everett School District.

2. By Mr. Rice —

Brighton High School; furniture, etc.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide such additional furniture in the Brighton High School building as may be necessary properly to conduct chemical and philosophical experiments.

3. By Mr. Cruft —

Dwight School District; school for special instruction.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Dwight School District be empowered to establish a school for special instruction.

4. By Mr. Hobbs —

Lowell School District; new Primary School.

Ordered, That the Committee on the Lowell School District be authorized to establish an additional Primary school.

5. By Mr. Hobbs —

Do.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish additional accommodations for the Curtis-street Primary school in the Lowell School District.

6. By Mr. Hobbs —

Lowell School Section; boundaries of.

Ordered, That the boundary of the Lowell-School section be as follows: —

Beginning at the junction of Tremont and Heath streets, thence both sides of Heath street to New Heath street, including Lawn street and Fisher avenue; thence both sides of New Heath street to Pynchon street, including the south end of Terrace street; thence both sides of Pynchon street to Cedar street; thence by the centre of Cedar street to Highland street; thence by the centre of Highland street to Marcella street; thence both sides of Marcella street to Washington street, including Vale street, and all the territory west of Thornton and Ellis streets; thence by the centre of Washington street to School street; thence both sides of School street to Boylston street; thence by the centre of Boylston street to Centre street; thence in a direct line to Brookline boundary; thence by the Brookline boundary to Tremont street; thence by the centre of Tremont street to Heath street.

7. By Mr. Thayer —

Andrew School District; Primary accommodations.

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to provide additional accommodations for Primary school purposes in the Andrew School District.

8. By Mr. Williams —

Comins School District; new Primary School.

Ordered, That the Comins-School District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary school in their district.

Truant Officers: report of committee on.

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and the Board voted to take from the table the report — in print — of the Committee on Truant Officers, made July 13th. The question was taken upon the passage of the orders (page 99 of the Minutes), and the orders were adopted.

West Roxbury High School; amendment proposed to regulations.

Mr. Brown offered the following order and moved its reference to the Committee on Rules and Regulations, and it was so referred: —

Ordered, That sect. 2 of chap. xix. be amended by striking out the word *male*, and inserting the word *head*, so that Sect. 2 shall read, — "The teachers shall be a head-master, a head-assistant, and one or more assistants."

The following orders, etc., were offered and were referred to the Committee on Salaries: —

1. By Mr. Thayer —

Gaston School; salary of Miss Willett.

Ordered, That the salary of Miss E. F. Willett, assistant in the Gaston School, be the maximum salary; she having served for six years in Boston schools.

2. By Mr. Adams, of Ward 12 —

Gaston School; salary of Miss Reid, teacher of sewing.

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred and seventy-five dollars be paid to Miss Margaret Reid, for services as sewing teacher in instructing two extra classes in the Gaston School District.

3. By Mr. Hobbs —

Lowell School; salary of Mr. Wiggin.

Ordered, That Mr. George T. Wiggin, sub-master in the Lowell School, be paid the difference in salary of a temporary teacher and a permanent teacher,

from Sept. 7, 1874, to Jan. 19, 1875, and that his maximum salary commence Sept. 7, 1875.

4. On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 16, the matter of the salary to be paid the male assistant whom the Committee on the West Roxbury High School may select, was referred to the Committee on Salaries. W. Roxbury High School; *male assistant.*

Mr. Blakemore offered the following: —

Ordered, That the West Roxbury High School have the privilege accorded other High schools named in the order passed Dec. 22, 1874, — page 168 of the printed minutes. Do.

Passed under a suspension of the rules.

On motion of Mr. Cruft: —

Voted, that, when the Board adjourn, it be to meet two weeks from this evening. Adjournment.

Adjourned, on motion of Mr. Reynolds.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Sept. 28, 1875.

A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, by adjournment, in the Common Council Chamber, City Hall, on Tuesday, the twenty-eighth day of September, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

The Vice-President in the Chair.

Mr. Merrill moved and it was voted that the roll be called to see if a quorum was present; and, the roll having been called, it appeared that a quorum was present. Roll-call.

Absent: Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12, Baldwin, Beckley, Boothby, Carty, Curtis, Darling, Deblois, Dunn, Filkins, Frost, of Ward 17, Gaffney, Giddings, Gillespie, Gray, of Ward 4, Gray, of Ward 10, Hayden, Hutchins, Kinsley, Lyndon, Maguire, Marden, Miles, Miller, Mills, Moran, Neal, Noble, O'Connor, O'Neil, Perkins, Rankin, Seymour, Shattuck, Still, Thomson, Tolman, Tuckerman, Underwood, Walker, Williams, Williamson, Wright, the President of the Board, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

Voted, That the reading of the records of the last meeting be dispensed with, being in print; and they were approved as being correct.

The Chair called for the Quarterly Reports, which were then submitted, — with some exceptions, — and accepted; and further time was granted to committees to hand in to the Secretary, as soon as possible, the reports not submitted this evening, — on motion of Mr. Ricker. Quarterly reports.

Rice and Brimmer school sections.

Mr. Brown offered the following order: —

Ordered, That that part of the Rice School section bounded by Berkeley and Dover streets, Harrison avenue and the Albany R.R., be transferred from the Rice to the Brimmer School section.

Referred, with full powers, to the Committee on School Houses and School Sections.

The "High School Music Reader."

Mr. Ordway, from the Committee on Music, submitted the following order: —

Ordered, That the High School Music Reader, for Mixed and Boys' High Schools, be used as a text-book in those schools.

Referred to the Committee on Text-books.

Reports of the Committee on Rules and Regulations:

Mr. Kneeland, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations, submitted the following reports: —

West Roxbury High School; amendment to regulations:

1. Upon the order (Sept. 14) proposing to amend chap. xix., sect. 2; — recommending the passage of the order in an amended form, as follows: —

Ordered, That sect. 2, chap. xix., shall read — "The teachers shall be a head-master, a head assistant, and one or more assistants, provided that the number of assistants shall not exceed one for every thirty pupils.

The order passed.

Industrial School; instruction in sewing.

2. Upon the order (Sept. 14th) proposing to request the City Council to establish certain Industrial Schools, — recommending the passage of the order as referred to them, — page 114 of the Minutes.

The question was taken upon the order, and the order was adopted.

Wells School; mastership.

Mr. Slade offered the following order: —

Ordered, That Mr. Robert C. Metcalf, master of the Adams School, be transferred to the position of master of the Wells School; the said transfer to take effect Oct. 1st.

Mr. Tilden moved that the consideration of the subject of the order be postponed until two weeks from this evening.

Mr. Fitzgerald thereupon offered the following: —

Ordered, That a special committee of five be appointed to investigate the cause of the alleged difference between the master and the assistant teachers in the Wells School, and to report at the next meeting of the Board, with recommendations.

Mr. Fitzgerald moved and it was voted to lay the original order upon the table.

The question was taken upon the order offered by Mr. Fitzgerald and it was rejected.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald the original order was taken from the table; and, the question being upon the motion for a postponement, the motion was lost.

The question was then taken upon the original order — moved by Mr. Slade — and it was adopted.

Nomination, etc., of teachers

Brighton-Harvard School. — Mr. Norton nominated, as being on probation in the Brighton-Harvard School, Miss Persis B. Swett, an assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

The Board confirmed the following transfers of teachers by the respective committees: —

1. Henry L. Clapp, an usher, from the Lawrence School to the Lincoln School.

2. Nellie G. Sanford, from a Primary School to the Atherton School, in the Gibson School District.

3. Hannah E. Pratt, from a Primary School in the Stoughton School District, to a Primary School in the Gibson School District, on Thetford avenue.

Mr. Thayer presented the resignation of Charles W. Hoitt, usher in the Lincoln School, to take effect Oct. 1st. Accepted.

Lowell School District; new Primary School.

Mr. Hobbs offered the following: —

Ordered, That the Lowell School District Committee be authorized to establish a new Primary School near Codman park.

Referred to the Committee on School Houses, etc.

English High School; messenger and clerk.

Mr. Chaney offered the following: —

Ordered, That the head-master of the English High School be provided with a messenger and clerk, so long as that school is conducted in two buildings widely separated.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mastership of the Dorchester-Everett School.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Gilbert, to take from the table the order offered Sept. 14th, proposing the transfer of Henry B. Miner from the mastership of the Tileston to the mastership of the Dorchester-Everett School.

Mr. Willard offered the following order as a substitute: —

Ordered, That Roland F. Alger, heretofore master of the Dorchester-Everett School, be appointed temporary master of that school.

The subject was being considered, when it appeared that a quorum was not present. Thereupon, on motion of Mr. Reynolds, the Board adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN, *Secretary*.

In School Committee, Oct. 12, 1875.

A regular monthly meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the twelfth day of October, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock P.M. His Honor, the Mayor, President of the Board in the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Merrill, it was ordered that the roll be called, to see if a quorum was present; and, the roll having been called, it appeared that a quorum was present.

Absent: Messrs. Allen, of Ward 12; Andrews, Baldwin, Campbell, Cruft, Fennelly, Fraser, Frost, of Ward 17; Gaffney, Giddings, Gillespie, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 10; Hayden, Hobbs, Hutchins, Kinsley, Learnard, Locke, Lyndon, Maguire, Miss May, Messrs. McCarthy, McDonald, Miles, Miller, Mills, Moran, Morse, Murphy, Noble, O'Connor, O'Neil, Parkman, Perkins, Rankin, Ryan, Underwood, Walker, Williamson, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

The President read the acceptance by the Mayor and Aldermen of the proposition for a convention for the purpose of filling the vacancies in the School Committee. Convention.

The convention was held.

Mr. Toland, from the committee appointed to nominate a person for filling the vacancy caused by the resignation of Michael J. Green, from Ward Seven, reported that, as it was so near the end of the year,

the committee concluded not to make any nomination. Accepted, on motion of Mr. Norton.

Mr. Seaverns, from the committee to nominate a candidate for filling the vacancy caused by the death of Ira Allen, of Ward Fourteen, reported the name of Samuel T. Cobb.

Samuel T. Cobb elected.

The Chair appointed Alderman Worthington and Messrs. Seaverns and O'Kane a committee to collect the ballots. The committee proceeded, and reported that the whole number of ballots was 74; necessary for a choice, 64; that Samuel T. Cobb had 73 and James Griffin, 1. Mr. Cobb was accordingly declared chosen.

The business of the convention having been completed the two Boards separated.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Neal, to dispense with the reading of the Minutes of the last meeting.

Dorchester-Everett School; Mastership.

The Chair stated the business before the Board to be the order which was under consideration when the Board adjourned Sept. 28th, — to wit, "that Roland F. Alger, heretofore master of the Dorchester-Everett School, be appointed temporary master of that school": — upon which the question was taken, and the order was rejected.

The question was then taken upon the order offered Sept. 14th, — "That Henry B. Miner be transferred from the mastership of the Tileston to the mastership of the Dorchester-Everett School," — and the order passed.

Adams School; Mastership.

Mr. Plummer moved a suspension of the rules, for the purpose of permitting the nomination of Mr. Frank F. Preble as master of the Adams School; and the rules were suspended.

Mr. Plummer then nominated Mr. Frank F. Preble for the position named.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Plummer, Fitzgerald, and Filkins a committee to collect the ballots for the choice of a master of the Adams School. First ballot.

The committee proceeded and reported that the whole number of votes was 61; there was one blank; one vote each for E. B. Young and Alfred F. Bunker; and fifty-eight votes for Frank F. Preble.

Sixty votes, by the rules, being necessary for a choice, there was no election.

On motion of Mr. Seaverns the Board voted to proceed to a second ballot. The Chair appointed the same committee to collect the ballots. Second ballot.

Thereupon Mr. Reynolds raised a question of order, — upon the right of Mr. Samuel T. Cobb, who was present, to vote in this meeting, he not having presented his credentials. The Chair decided adversely to the right of that gentleman in the respect named.

The Board then balloted, with the following result: — Whole number of ballots, 54; Frank F. Preble had 50; E. B. Young had 1; and there were 3 blanks; — whereupon it appeared that a quorum of the Board had not voted. No choice.

On motion of Mr. Norton, it was voted to postpone further proceedings in the matter to the next meeting of the Board; and, on motion of Mr. Plummer, to assign the subject to half-past eight o'clock, on that evening. Subject specially assigned.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck, it was voted that the roll be called, to see if a quorum was present. The roll was called, and the following members were recorded as absent, viz.: — Roll-call.

Messrs. Allen, of Ward 12, Andrews, Baldwin, Boothby, Campbell, Carty, Chaney, Cruft, Fallon, Absent.

Fennelly, Fraser, Frost, of Ward 17, Gaffney, Giddings, Gillespie, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 10, Hayden, Hobbs, Hutchins, Jenkins, Kinsley, Learnard, Leavitt, Locke, Lyndon, Maguire, Miss May, Messrs. McCarthy, McDonald, Merrill, Miles, Miller, Mills, Moran, Morse, Murphy, Noble, O'Connor, O'Neil, Ordway, Parkman, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Perkins, Porter, of Ward 16, Porter, of Ward 2, Quinn, Rankin, Ryan, Underwood, Walker, Washburn, Williamson, Wright, and the President of the Common Council.

Fifty-nine members, and a quorum, responded as their names were called.

The following teachers were confirmed, — having been accidentally omitted in the annual election: — E. C. F. Krause, teacher of German; and Prospère Morand, teacher of French, in the Girls' High School.

Teachers nominated, etc.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Girls' High School. — S. Annie Shorey, teacher of Chemistry, commencing Sept. 1st.

West-Roxbury High School. — Mr. H. Winslow Warren, as head-assistant, commencing Sept. 1st.

Bowdoin School District. — Emily A. Browne and Mary E. Ames, Primary teachers, commencing Sept. 24th.

Brimmer School District. — Sarah R. Bowles, a Primary teacher.

Bunker Hill School. — Amy C. Hudson, an assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

Chapman School District. — Martha D. Dunnells, a Primary teacher, commencing Oct. 1st.

Comins School District. — Delia Killian, a Primary teacher, commencing Oct. 1st.

Dearborn School. — Mary A. Adams, a head-assistant, commencing Sept. 13th.

Dwight School.—Elizabeth G. Melcher, an assistant, commencing Sept. 30th.

Lewis School.—Mary F. Cummings, an assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

The resignation of Miss Edna M. Flint, an assistant in the Lincoln School, was accepted, to take effect Oct. 14th.

Teachers of the Second Class in Mixed Schools.

The following were nominated as teachers of the Second Class of boys in mixed schools, to receive the salary of $1,000; — agreeably to the vote of the Board passed July 13th: — in the Chapman School, Jane F. Reid; in the Comins School, Martha A. Cummings; in the Dearborn School, Philena W. Rounseville; in the Lewis School, Eunice C. Atwood; in the Lyman School, Eliza F. Russell.

Annual election of Instructors; Teachers in the Chapman School District.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Allen, of Ward One, to reconsider the vote — July 13th — whereby the Board confirmed the nomination of teachers in the Chapman School District for re-election.

It was then, on motion of Mr. Allen, voted to add to the list of teachers in the said district the name of H. Ella Peaslee.

The Board then again confirmed the said nominations.

The following propositions were referred to the Committee on Salaries: —

Salary of Mary E. Ames.

1. By Mr. Curtis; — that Miss Mary E. Ames be placed upon the maximum salary from Sept. 24th.

Sarah R. Bowles; term of service.

2. By Mr. Brown; — that the term of service of Sarah R. Bowles, a Primary teacher in the Brimmer School District, be continuous from the last school-year.

Mayhew School; usher.

Mr. Beckley, from the Committee on the Mayhew School District, moved a suspension of the rules, to

allow the committee to nominate Mr. Fred E. Whitney as an usher in that school.

The question was under consideration when, upon motion of Mr. Shattuck, the Board adjourned.

Attest: BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

In School Committee, Nov. 9, 1875.

A monthly meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the ninth day of November, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock P. M. Mr. Learnard, the Vice-President, in the Chair.

Absent: Messrs. Allen, of Ward 12; Andrews, Beckley, Boothby, Fennelly, Fitzgerald, Fraser, Frost, of Ward 17; Gaffney, Lyndon, McCarthy, McDonough, Merrill, Miles, Miller, Mills, Moran, Morse, Murphy, O'Connor, O'Kane, Ordway, Quinn, Rice, Seymour, Underwood, Walker, the President of the Board, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

On motion of Mr. Allen, of Ward 1, it was voted to amend the Minutes of the last meeting, wherein they omit to state that, on motion of Mr. Filkins, it was voted that when the Board adjourn it be to the time of the next regular meeting of the Board. Minutes amended.

The Chair appointed Mr. Parkman upon the committee on the school for Deaf Mutes; and Mr. Samuel T. Cobb upon the committees on the English High and Roxbury High Schools, and the Comins, Dearborn, Dudley and Sherwin School Districts; all in place of Ira Allen, deceased; and Miss Crocker upon the committee on the Kindergarten School, in place of Mr. Reynolds, excused thereon. Appointments on Committees.

The Chair stated the business before the meeting, — which was the motion which was being considered at Business in order laid upon the table.

the time of the adjournment at the last meeting; viz. — that the rules be suspended to allow the committee on the Mayhew School District to nominate Mr. F. E. Whitney as usher.

Mr. Washburn moved to lay the motion upon the table, in order to proceed to other business necessary to be considered at this time; and the motion passed.

Teachers confirmed, etc.

Miss Sophia E. Raycroft, a Primary teacher in the Eliot School District, was confirmed.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Dorchester High School. — Henri Morand, teacher of French, commencing Sept. 15th.

Charlestown High School. — Eugene Raymond, teacher of French, commencing Nov. 1st.

Dudley School District. — Ella T. Jackson, a Primary teacher, commencing Nov. 8th.

Eliot School District. — Isabel R. Haskins, an assistant, commencing Oct. 25th, and Emma Glawson, a Primary teacher, commencing Oct. 1st.

Franklin School District. — Abby M. Holder, an assistant, commencing Nov. 1st, and Sarah A. Brown, a Primary teacher, commencing Nov. 1st.

Lawrence School District. — W. E. C. Rich, an usher; and Maggie J. Leary, the latter a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 6th.

Mather School. — Olive S. Boothby, a head assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

Phillips School District. — Laura E. Viles, a Primary teacher, commencing Oct. 19th.

Prescott School. — Juliette J. Pierce, an assistant, commencing Oct. 11th.

Rice School District. — Martha A. Pope, a Primary teacher, commencing Oct. 18th; and Kate Gookin, a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 27th.

Shurtleff School District. — Abby S. Hammond, a head-assistant, and Alice G. Dolbeare, a Primary teacher, both commencing Sept. 1st; and Alice Ryan, a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 19th.

Stoughton School. — Ellen E. Burgess, an assistant, commencing Oct. 6th.

Warren School. — Kate E. McGowan and Alice Hall, head-assistants, commencing Nov. 1st.

West-Roxbury School District. — Mary E. Tufts, a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 1st.

Brighton School District. — Georgie Palmer, head-assistant in the master's room, in the Bennett School, and Sarah F. Boynton, head-assistant in the master's room, in the Brighton-Harvard School, both commencing Jan. 5th.

The following teachers were transferred: —

Franklin School District. — Alfarata M. Nichols, from the Primary to the Grammar department, to take effect Nov. 1st.

Shurtleff School District. — Josie S. Bullard, from the Primary to the Grammar department.

The resignations of the following teachers were presented and accepted: —

Girls' High School. — Mary G. Darling, an assistant, to take effect Oct. 16th; Florena Gray, an assistant, to take effect Nov. 1st; and Alice M. Wellington, an assistant, to take effect Dec. 1st.

Charlestown High School. — Nicolas F. Dracopolis, teacher of French, to take effect Sept. 13th.

Eliot School District. — Frances Giles, an assistant, to take effect Oct. 25th; and Julia A. Cutts, a Primary teacher, to take effect Oct. 1st.

Prescott School. — Carrie E. Tozier, an assistant, to take effect Sept. 6th.

Warren School District. — Caroline M. Sisson, a Primary teacher, to take effect Nov. 1st.

West Roxbury School District. — Laura A. Thomas, an assistant in the Central School, to take effect Nov. 1st, and Amanda Davis, a Primary teacher in the Central School District, to take effect Sept. 1st.

The following were nominated as teachers of the second class of boys in mixed schools, to receive the salary of $1,000, — agreeably to the vote of the Board passed July 13th: — in the Prescott School, Louise S. Hotchkiss; in the Sherwin School, Lucy L. Burgess.

Evening Schools.

The following were nominated as teachers of the Evening Schools: —

Evening High School. — William Nichols, principal; Roscoe P. Owen, Thomas M. Babson, Joseph W. Keene, Louis H. Parkhurst, Charles E. Stetson, Winfield S. Hutchinson, William H. Moriarty, William H. Knight, Thomas Dean, Carl Jonsen, Lewis M. Hallowell, Melvin O. Adams, assistants.

East Boston. — Lewis H. Dutton, principal; Emma L. Reynolds, Margaret A. Knox, Addie F. Barnes, Mary A. Beeching, Harriet L. Litchfield, Mary H. Lennon, Sarah A. Bond, Susan E. Littlefield, assistants.

North Bennet Street. — James E. Toner, principal; James Doherty, Emma Fisk, Almira Bixby, Annie McGonigle, Marcella Donegan, Mary Towle, Mary Ruxton, Mary Porter, Alicia Collison, Mary W. Clapp, Rose Hagan, Katie Gillespie, assistants.

Wells School-house. — Henry A. Parker, principal; H. L. Richards, Fanny M. Wilson, Kate Wilson, Ella E. Morrill, Ida A. Merriam, Edward O. Thayer, Isaiah B. Hudnutt, assistants.

Anderson Street. — Miss C. A. Caverly, principal; J. T. Moulton, C. A. Lobdell, E. D. Fish, Mary A. Beal, Martha H. Beal, C. G. Fisher, Ella G. Hall, L. F. Pitcher, Sarah E. Malehan, assistants.

Warrenton Street Chapel. — William G. Babcock, principal; John L. Emmons, Samuel Weltch, J. Thomas Vose, Annie Nicholls, Lucy F. Babcock, Martha Knight, George Hegerich, assistants.

Old Franklin School-house. — Charles K. Cutter, principal; Lizzie H. Soule, Annie V. Knowles, Ella J. Mahone, Lizzie A. Phelps, Benjamin Hinckley, Ida F. Taylor, Georgie A. Brown, Clara B. Flagg, Annie B. Alexander, Minnie E. Colburn, William T. Souther, Flora Hinckley, Effie Cutter, assistants.

Harrison Avenue. — Guy A. T. Lincoln, principal; William A. Walker, Nellie M. O'Connor, Emma F. Swain, Mary E. Sandford, Julia F. Sweeney, Mary J. Broad, Annie C. Hitchcock, Mary Walton, Emma L. Oliver, Mary A. McNary, Ella F. Stroelin, Louise H. Hinckley, Nellie B. Walsh, assistants.

South Boston, corner of B street. — John C. Coombs, principal; Willard F. E. Blake, Anna L. Kelly, Hattie C. Vaughn, Percy C. Webber, Sarah E. Toland, Katie E. Fitzgerald, William H. Martin, Joseph P. Waterhouse, Emma F. Bradeen, assistants.

South Boston, Lincoln School-house. — George J. Tufts, principal; Edwin A. Daniels, Pierce Powers, John Thompson, Nancy S. French, Rachael S. Barham, Etta Hutchins, Mary B. Powers, Jennie A. Mullaly, Annie L. Story, Jennie McKenzie, assistants.

Cabot street. — Frank L. Washburn, principal; John J. Fox, R. A. Lawrence, F. T. Kelley, A. B.

McClure, Annie McDonald, C. B. Moore, Sussie Williams, Nannie Williams, H. A. C. Roafe, M. Agnes Murphy, M. T. Cunningham, M. E. Grady, Theresa McIver, E. M. Haskins, N. L. Marsh, Emma Howard, assistants.

Eustis street. — Alfred Bunker, principal; Mary E. Conley, Frances W. Gill, Mary L. Nawn, Abbie S. Oliver, Lucia S. Stiles, assistants.

West Roxbury. — John M. Hodgate, principal; Sarah L. D. Somers, Annie L. Newcomb, Mary E. Stevens, assistants.

Dorchester, Almshouse. — G. H. Marshall, principal; M. F. Power, M. E. Mann, A. S. Dodge, H. B. Hassett, E. A. Bulman, L. F. Walker, N. A. Brown, assistants.

Dorchester, Neponset. — C. A. Ham, principal; A. Pillsbury, W. Stratton, Clara M. Mosely, E. R. Stratton, assistants.

Charlestown, Summer street. — Francis V. Keyes, principal, L. J. Robinson, M. Ward, assistants.

Charlestown, Elm street. — S. S. Coats, principal; George G. Pratt, Mary E. Delany, Zella M. Mallard, Miss Coughlin, assistants.

Evening Drawing Schools.

The following were confirmed as teachers of the Evening Drawing Schools: —

Hun Berry and Clarence S. Ward, principals; Peter Roos, A. J. Anthony, George H. Young, George Jepson, A. Loring, J. L. Frisbee, H. N. Mudge, M. Green, W. P. Jewett, assistants.

Salaries of Miss Georgie Palmer and Miss Sarah F. Boynton.

Mr. Norton moved that the salary of Miss Georgie Palmer of the Bennett School, and of Sarah F. Boynton of the Brighton-Harvard School, be at the rate of $850 per annum from Jan. 5th; and moved for that purpose a suspension of the rules. The rules were

suspended. The question was then taken upon the original motion, which was adopted.

Mr. Curtis, from the Bowdoin School District Committee, moved to amend the date of commencement of service of Mary E. Ames, as reported at the last meeting, so that it should read Sept. 6th instead of Sept. 24th, and the motion passed.

Date of commencement of service of Mary E. Ames.

Reports of committees being now in order, it was voted, on motion of Mr. Washburn, to pass over the consideration of such reports as would occasion debate.

Reports occasioning debate passed over.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, reported for adoption the following orders, and they were severally adopted: —

Reports of Com. on Salari s.

1. *Ordered*, That the teacher of German and the teacher of French in the Roxbury High School receive a salary of six hundred dollars for the present school year.

Roxbury High School; salaries of teachers of German and French.

2. *Ordered*, That the salary of sub-master in the Charlestown High School be fixed at twenty-two hundred dollars to the present incumbent for the present school year; and that the master's assistant and head-assistant of said school shall each be paid twelve hundred dollars' salary for the present school year.

Charlestown High School; salaries of Sub-master, Master's Assistant, and Head Assistant.

3. *Ordered*, That the salary of the head-assistant in the West Roxbury High School be fixed at fifteen hundred dollars for the present school year.

West Roxbury High School; salary of Head-Assistant.

4. *Ordered*, That the salary of Miss Garlin, teacher of Music, be fixed at eighteen hundred dollars for the present school year.

Salary of Miss Garlin.

5. *Ordered*, That the salary of Miss Amy C. Hudson, an assistant in the Bunker Hill School, be the maximum salary of assistants for the present school year.

Salary of Miss Amy C. Hudson.

Salary of Geo. T. Wiggin.

6. *Ordered*, That Mr. George T. Wiggin, sub-master in the Lowell School, be paid the difference in salary between that of a temporary teacher and a permanent teacher, from Jan. 10th, 1875, to Jan. 19th, 1875.

Comins School; services of Miss Graham.

Mr. Brown, from the same committee, reported upon the statement submitted to the Board, July 13th, with respect to the salary of Sarah M. Graham; — that the Committee on the Comins School District made a bargain with Miss Graham, that she be paid for her services at the rate of $2.50 per day; and under all the circumstances of the case the Committee on Salaries see no reason to change the contract. The report was accepted.

Boundaries of Comins, Dearborn, Dudley and Lewis Sections.

Mr. Seaverns submitted an order to provide for the establishing of the School Sections of the Comins, Dearborn, Dudley, for girls, Dudley, for boys, and Lewis Schools; and it was referred to the Committee on School Houses and School Sections.

Reports of Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Kneeland, from the Committee on Rules and Regulations, reported upon the following matters which had been referred to that committee: —

Petition as to Jewish children.

1. Upon the petition of the Congregation Ohabei Sholom, — submitted June 15th, — recommending leave to withdraw. Accepted.

English High School; messenger and clerk.

2. Upon the order — Sept. 28th — proposing that the head-master of the English High School be provided with a messenger and clerk; — recommending the passage of the order in the following words: —

Ordered, That the Standing Committee of the English High School be authorized to employ some person to act as clerk and messenger for the head-master while the school is conducted in two buildings, widely separated as at present.

Accepted, and the order as recommended by the committee was adopted.

Mr. Noble, from the Committee on School Houses and School Sections, reported upon matters which had been referred to that committee; to wit, the proposed boundaries of the Lowell School Section, and the sections of the Comins, Dearborn, Dudley, for boys, Dudley, for girls, and the Lewis Schools; — submitting the following orders: — Reports of Committee on School Houses and School Sections.

1. *Ordered*, That the boundary of the Lowell School Section be as follows: — Lowell School Section; boundaries of.

Beginning at the junction of Tremont and Heath streets, thence both sides of Heath street to New Heath street, thence both sides of New Heath street to Pynchon street, including the south end of Terrace street; thence both sides of Pynchon street to Cedar street; thence by the centre of Cedar street to Highland street; thence by the centre of Highland street to Marcella street; thence both sides of Marcella street to Washington street, including Vale street and all the territory west of Thornton and Ellis streets; thence by the centre of Washington street to School street; thence both sides of School street to Boylston street; thence by the centre of Boylston street to Centre street; thence in a direct line to Brookline boundary; thence by Brookline boundary to Tremont street; thence by the centre of Tremont street to Heath street.

2. *Ordered*, That the boundaries of the Comins, Dearborn, Dudley, for boys, Dudley, for girls, and the Lewis Sections be established as follows: — Boundaries of the Comins, Dearborn, Dudley (for boys), Dudley (for girls), and Lewis School Sections.

Comins School Section (*Boys*). Beginning at the junction of Tremont and Ruggles streets, thence through the centre of Ruggles street and across the marsh to the Brookline line, thence along said line to Heath street, thence along the northerly side of Heath and New Heath streets to

Pynchon street, thence along the westerly side of Pynchon street to Cedar street, thence through the centre of Pynchon street to Tremont street, thence through the centre of Tremont street to the point of beginning.

Comins School Section (*Girls*). Beginning on Tremont street at Tremont place, along the south-westerly side of Tremont place, across the marsh to the Brookline line, thence along the Brookline line to Heath street, thence along the northerly side of Heath and New Heath streets to Pynchon street, thence along the westerly side of Pynchon street to Cedar street, thence through the centre of Cedar street to Centre street, thence along the north-westerly side of Centre street to Roxbury street, across Roxbury street to Dunlow street, through the centre of Dunlow street across the ledge to Elmwood street, thence through the centre of Elmwood street to Stony Brook, thence along Stony Brook to Culvert street, thence through the centre of Culvert street to Tremont street, thence through the centre of Tremont street to the point of beginning.

Dearborn School Section. Beginning at the junction of Warren and Washington streets, thence through the centre of Washington to Eustis street, thence through the centre of Eustis street to Harrison avenue, thence through the centre of Harrison avenue to the former boundary line between Boston and Roxbury, thence along said line and the South Bay to the former boundary line between Roxbury and Dorchester, thence along said line to Dudley street, thence through the centre of Dudley street to Mt. Pleasant avenue, thence through the centre of said avenue to Fairland street, thence through the centre of Fairland street to Winthrop street, thence along the north-easterly side of Winthrop street to Warren street, thence through the centre of Warren street to the point of beginning.

Dudley School Section (*Boys*). Beginning at the corner of Washington and Ruggles streets, thence through the middle of Ruggles street to Tremont street, thence through the middle of Tremont street to Roxbury-crossing, thence

through the centre of Pynchon street to Cedar street, thence through the centre of Cedar street to Washington street, thence along a straight line to the junction of Circuit and Regent streets, thence taking both sides of Regent street to Warren street, thence through the centre of Warren street to Washington street, thence through the centre of Washington street to the point of beginning.

Dudley School Section (*Girls*). Beginning at the corner of Washington and Ruggles streets, thence through the centre of Ruggles street to Tremont street, thence through the centre of Tremont street to Culvert street, thence through the centre of Culvert street to Stony Brook, along Stony Brook to Elmwood street, thence through the centre of Elmwood street to Dunlow street, thence through the centre of Dunlow street to Roxbury street, across Roxbury street to Centre street, taking both sides of Centre street to Cedar street, thence through the centre of Cedar street to Washington street, thence along a straight line to the junction of Circuit and Regent streets, taking both sides of Regent street to Warren street, thence through the centre of Warren street to Washington street, thence through the centre of Washington street to the point of beginning.

Lewis School Section. Beginning on Warren street at Regent street, all the territory south-west of Regent street to Circuit street, all the territory west of the junction of Circuit and Regent streets, and a straight line to the centre of Cedar street, thence through the centre of Cedar street to Highland street, thence through the centre of Highland street to Marcella street, all the territory east of Marcella and Vale streets to Washington street, westerly through the centre of Washington street to the West Roxbury line, thence south-westerly along said line to Blue Hill avenue, thence westerly along the centre of said avenue to Columbia street, thence northerly along the old line between Roxbury and Dorchester to Dudley street, thence through the centre of Dudley street to Mt. Pleasant avenue, thence through the centre of said avenue to Fairland street, thence through the

centre of Fairland street to Winthrop, thence by both sides of Winthrop street to Warren street, thence through the centre of Warren street to the point of beginning.

The reports were accepted, and the orders were adopted.

Report of Committee on Text-books; High School Music Reader.

Mr. Hutchins, from the Committee on Text-books, reported upon the recommendation — referred to them Sept. 28th — of the Committee on Music, that the High School Music Reader, etc., be used as a text-book in certain of the schools; — proposing for adoption the following order: —

Ordered, That the High School Music Reader be introduced into the mixed and boys' High schools, in place of any text-books in music now in use.

The rules were suspended. The question was then taken upon the order, and it was adopted.

Hillard's Franklin Readers.

On motion of Mr. Hutchins, it was voted to take from the table the order submitted by the Committee on Text-Books, — being order No. 3 in the report of that committee (June 8th), proposing that Hillard's Franklin Series of Readers be introduced into the schools, etc.

The question was then taken upon the order, and it was adopted.

Tileston School.

Mr. Greene, from the Committee on the Tileston School District, offered the following order, and moved a suspension of the rules for its passage — which motion passed, and the order was adopted: —

Ordered, That the Tileston School be placed in charge of a male teacher with the rank and pay of usher.

Salary of Miss Reid; Teacher of Sewing in the Gaston School.

On motion of Mr. Brown, the Committee on Salaries were given full power in the matter of the salary of Miss Reid, teacher of sewing in the Gaston School, offered Sept. 14th.

Mr. Washburn offered the following orders, and in the case of each moved a suspension of the rules for its passage. The rules were suspended and the orders were adopted: —

1. *Ordered*, That the Latin School Committee be allowed to employ an additional teacher for said school with the rank of usher. Latin School; additional teacher.

2. *Ordered*, That Nicolas F. Dracopolis, teacher of French in the Latin and English High Schools, receive the maximum pay of master in said schools, the same to date from the beginning of the present school year. Salary of Mr. Dracopolis; Teacher of French.

The following orders were offered, and were referred to the Committee on Salaries, the first two with full powers: —

1. By Mr. Chaney: —

Ordered, That the salary of the messenger or clerk for the English High School be not more than eight hundred dollars. English High School; salary of messenger or clerk.

2. By Mr. Hutchins: —

Ordered, That Mr. Rodney G. Chase be paid at the rate of the maximum salary of master for service in the Wells School during part of the present school year. Wells School; salary of R. G. Chase.

3. By Mr. Hobbs: —

Ordered, That the salaries of Miss Eliza D. Gardner and Miss Helen A. Gardner, of the Roxbury High School, be increased from $1,000 to $1,200, dating from Nov. 1st. Roxbury High School; salaries of Miss E. D. and Miss H. A. Gardner.

4. By Mr. Williams: —

Ordered, That Miss A. F. Armes, teacher of the third division of boys in the Comins School, receive the maximum salary, in consideration of her long service as a teacher. Miss A. F. Armes: maximum salary.

5. By Mr. Baldwin: —

Miss Abby M. Holder; maximum salary.

Ordered, That Miss Abby M. Holder, in view of ten years' service in the city, be paid the maximum salary from the date of her appointment.

6. By Mr. Wilbur: —

Salary of Miss Martha A. Pope.

Ordered, That the salary of Miss Martha A. Pope be fixed at $700 per annum, on account of her service as teacher for several years.

7. By Mr. Perkins: —

Compensation to Mr. Wm. Briggs, instructor in Drawing.

Ordered, That the sum of $140 be paid to Mr. William Briggs, for special instruction in Drawing, given at the Normal School, during the school year of 1875, as authorized by the Committee on Drawing.

Mr. McDonald offered the following order, and moved a suspension of the rules for its passage. The rules were suspended, and the order was adopted.

Charlestown Prescott School; services of Miss Kenrick and Miss Sawyer.

Ordered, That Martha M. Kenrick and Mary C. Sawyer be paid the sum of fifty dollars each, for services as head-assistants in the Charlestown-Prescott School, from Sept. 1st, 1874, to Sept 1st, 1875.

Mrs. Blake offered the following order: —

Piano for Thetford ave. School, Dorchester.

Ordered, That a piano be supplied to the Thetford avenue School, Dorchester District.

Referred to the Committee on Accounts.

Com. on Vocal and Physical Culture to report in print.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Slade, That the Committee on Vocal and Physical Culture have leave to report in print.

On motion of Mr. Toland: —

Adjournment.

Voted, That when the Board adjourn, it adjourn to Tuesday evening, the 23d inst., at half-past seven o'clock.

Mr. Brown offered the following order, and moved that the rules be suspended for its passage. The rules were suspended, and the order was adopted.

Ordered, That the school established on Beacon street, and heretofore under the direction of the Everett District Committee, be and hereby is transferred to the Brimmer District.

School on Beacon street transferred to the Brimmer School District.

On motion of Mr. Brown: —

Ordered, That the Committee on School Houses and School Sections consider and report upon the propriety of establishing a new Grammar School Section in that part of the city known as the Back Bay territory.

New Grammar School Section on the Back Bay.

Mr. Perkins offered the following order; —

Ordered, That the City Council be requested to furnish accommodations for a free evening Drawing school in the West Roxbury District as soon as possible.

Free Evening Drawing School in West Roxbury.

Referred, with full powers, to the Committee on School Houses and School Sections.

The subject specially assigned for consideration at half-past eight o'clock, to wit, the election of a master of the Adams School, — having by vote been postponed to a quarter before nine, — was now taken up.

Adams School; Mastership.

The Chair appointed Messrs. Plummer, Filkins, and Jenkins, a committee to collect the ballots.

The committee proceeded, and reported as follows: Whole number of ballots, 77; necessary for a choice by the rules, 60. Frank F. Preble had 74; E. Bentley Young, 1; Fred E. Whitney, 1; H. H. Kimball, 1. Mr. Preble was accordingly declared elected.

Frank F. Preble elected.

On motion of Mr. Plummer it was voted that the salary of Mr. Preble as master commence Oct. 1st.

Salary of Frank F. Preble.

On motion of Mr. Wilbur, it was voted to suspend the rules requiring a meeting of the Board to be held on the second Tuesday in December.

On motion of Mr. Wilbur: —

Meeting of the Board in December on Wednesday.

Ordered, That the regular monthly meeting of this Board for December be held on Wednesday evening, December 15th, at half-past seven o'clock, P.M.

Latin School; programme of studies.

Mr. Reynolds submitted a recommendation from the Committee on the Latin School, that the names of the following authors be dropped from the programme of studies in that school: — In the sixth class, Leigh, Hunt, Cowper, Wordsworth; in the fifth, Morris, Hazlitt, Beattie, Mrs. Thrale and the old English ballads; in the fourth, Moore, Hood, Shelley and Rogers; in the third, Pope, Collins, Keats, Burke, Holmes, Tyndall; in the second, Pope, Dryden, Spenser, Lamb, Lowell, Ruskin; in the first, Junius, Marvell, George Herbert, Carlyle, Robert Hall, Channing, Ben Jonson. The recommendation was adopted.

Communication from Morris Aronson.

The chair read a communication from Morris Aronson, asking that his children be excused from attending school on Saturday, and giving his reasons for the request.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland the communication was referred to the Committee on the Sherwin School District.

Boundary lines between Lewis and Atherton School Sections.

A petition was presented, signed by Charles E. Savell, Charles Cullis, and others, residents of Blue Hill Avenue, asking that the boundary line between the Atherton and Lewis School Sections be changed.

On motion of Mr. Toland the petition was referred to the Committee on School-houses, etc.

On motion of Mr. Baldwin: —

Special pay-roll for teachers of Even'g Schools.

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts consider the expediency of making out a special pay-roll for the various evening-school teachers, and that the city auditor be requested to make a special draft to pay the same.

Mr. Baldwin offered the following order: —

Rules and Regulations; amendment proposed.

Ordered, That the Rules and Regulations be amended by striking out of Chap. ix., Sect. 3, all that portion beginning with and following the word provided.

Referred to the Committee on Rules and Regulations.

A more uniform organization of the Grammar Schools; report of Committee on Rules and Regulations.

Mr. Kneeland moved and it was voted to take from the table the report in print, made June 8th, of the Committee on Rules and Regulations, upon the subject of a more uniform organization of the Grammar Schools.

It was then, on motion of Mr. Kneeland, voted to substitute for the orders in the report, the following: —

Ordered, That chap. xiii., sect. 2, be amended so as to read as follows: —

Each school for boys alone, having not less than five hundred pupils, shall be instructed by a master, sub-master, usher, first assistant, third assistant, and fourth assistants; having less than three hundred pupils, by the same, substituting *second assistant* for *usher;* having less than three hundred pupils, by a master, first assistant, third assistant, and fourth assistants.

Each school for girls alone, having not less than three hundred pupils, shall be instructed by a master, first assistant, second assistant, third assistant, and fourth assistants; having less than that number of pupils, by the same, excepting the *first* and the *third* assistant.

Each school for boys and girls, in which the sexes are taught in separate classes, and having not less than five hundred pupils, shall be instructed by a master, sub-master, first assistant, second assistant, two third assistants, and fourth assistants.

Each school for boys and girls, in which the sexes are taught together in the same classes, and having not less than

five hundred pupils, shall be instructed by a master, sub-master, first assistant, second assistant, third assistant, and fourth assistants; having less than five hundred, and not less than three hundred pupils, by the same, substituting *usher* for *sub-master;* having less than three hundred, and not less than two hundred pupils, by a master, first assistant, and fourth assistants; having less than two hundred pupils, by the same as the last, substituting *second* assistant for *first.*

Ordered, That Sect. 3, the same chapter, be amended, so that after the period at the end of the fifth line, it shall read, "The female teacher highest in rank shall assist the master in the instruction of the first class, and, in determining the number of teachers, shall not be counted."

Ordered, That chap. ix., sect. 10, be amended, by substituting a semicolon for the comma after "districts," in the fourth line; and by striking out "apportioning," and inserting, "they shall devote not less than one-third of their school-hours to instructing the first class, and shall apportion the rest of."

The report was then, on motion of Mr. Kneeland, laid upon the table.

On motion of Mr. Brown: —

Salary of Miss May G. Ladd.

Ordered, That the salary of Miss May G. Ladd, master's assistant in the Winthrop School, be fixed to beginApril 25th instead of May 25th, 1875.

On motion of Mr. Hobbs, the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN, *Secretary.*

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, NOV. 23, 1875.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the twenty-third day of November, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M. Mr. Learnard, the Vice-President, in the Chair.

On motion of Mr. Tilden, the roll was called, and the following members responded, viz.: — Roll-call.

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 12; Adams, of Ward 16; Allen, of Ward 1; Beaumont, Bigelow, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Blakemore, Boothby, Brown, Chapin, Cobb, of Ward 14; Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Darling, Dillaway, Fallon, Fennelly, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Gaffney, Gray, of Ward 4; Miss Hale, Messrs. Hutchins, Jenkins, Kinsley, Kneeland, Learnard, Leavitt, Marden, Miss May, Messrs. Neal, Newcomb, Noble, Ordway, Parkman, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Perkins, Plummer, Reynolds, Rice, Ricker, Slade, Thayer, Thomson, Tilden, Toland, Tucker, Wilbur, Williams, and Wilson. — 51. Present.

Whereupon it appeared that a quorum was not present. No quorum.

On motion of Mr. Ordway, the meeting adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN, *Secretary.*

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Dec. 15, 1875.

A quarterly meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, on Wednesday, the fifteenth day of December, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock P. M. Mr. Learnard, the Vice-President, in the Chair.

Absent.

Absent: Messrs. Allen, of Ward 12; Andrews, Beckley, Bigelow, Boothby, Carty, Chaney, Cilley, Cobb, of Ward 14; Darling, Deblois, Emery, Frost, of Ward 17; Gaffney, Giddings, Gilbert, Gillespie, Hayden, Kingsley, Locke, Lyndon, Maguire, McCarthy, McDonald, Miles, Mills, Moran, Morse, Murphy, Norton, O'Connor, Porter, of Ward 2; Rankin, Ricker, Ryan, Shattuck, Underwood, Willard, Williams, Williamson, Wright, and the President of the Board.

Minutes amended.

Mr. Brown moved, and it was voted, to correct the printed minutes, wherein they omit to state that the reference of the order to pay Mr. William Briggs was with full powers.

Teachers confirmed, etc.

The following teachers were confirmed: —

Andrew School District. — Clara C. Prince, an assistant, and Estelle B. Jenkins, a Primary teacher.

Bunker Hill School. — Amy C. Hudson, an assistant.

Comins School. — A. F. Arnes, an assistant, and Delia Killian, a Primary teacher.

Dearborn School. — Mary A. Adams, head assistant.

Dwight School District. — Fanny L. Willard, a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 6th.

Franklin School. — Mary L. Wheeler, an assistant.

Charlestown Harvard School. — Jennie E. Howard, an assistant.

Lawrence School District. — Maggie J. Leary, a Primary teacher.

Phillips School. — Jennie E. Eastman, an assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Latin School. — F. W. Freeborn, an usher.

Girls' High School. — Laura B. White, teacher of chemistry, commencing Dec. 1st; S. Annie Shorey, *assistant* teacher of chemistry, commencing Dec. 1st; Augusta R. Curtis, assistant teacher of French and German, commencing Dec. 1st; and M. E. Lathrop, assistant teacher of Latin, commencing Dec. 6th.

Adams School. — Lewis H. Dutton, sub-master, commencing Dec. 20th.

Dearborn School. — Elizabeth E. Backup, an assistant, commencing Dec. 16th.

Dwight School District. — Julia A. Hodgkins, an assistant, commencing Oct. 11th.

Everett School District. — Annie Grover, an assistant, commencing Dec. 7th; and Kate M. Hanson, a Primary teacher, commencing Nov. 15th.

Harris School District. — E. Maria Harriman, an assistant, commencing Nov. 20th; and Elizabeth A. Flint, a Primary teacher, commencing Dec. 1st.

Lincoln School District. — Margaret J. Stewart, master's assistant, commencing Sept. 6th; and Fanny G. Patten, a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 6th.

Mayhew School. — Sarah L. Adams, an assistant, commencing Oct. 11th.

Tileston School. — N. H. Whittemore, an usher, commencing Dec. 6th.

Warren School District. — H. Elizabeth Cutter, a Primary teacher, commencing Dec. 1st.

West Roxbury School District. — Ada M. Shute, an assistant in the Central School, commencing Nov. 1st; Maggie S. Winton, a Primary teacher in the Hillside School District, commencing Oct. 1st; and Helen C. Steele, an assistant in the Mount Vernon School, commencing Jan. 1st, 1876.

Evening Schools.

Evening Schools. South Boston, City Point. — Thomas M. Smith, jr., an assistant.

East Boston. — Leonard N. Cummings, principal, commencing Oct. 1st.

Blossom Street. — Ella M. Hadley, an assistant, commencing Nov. 1st.

Cabot Street. — A. L. McDonough, an assistant, commencing Oct. 4th.

Evening Drawing Schools.

Eveniny Drawing Schools. Dorchester. — Charles L. Adams and W. R. Briggs, assistants.

West Roxbury. — Leslie W. Miller and L. M. Hallowell, assistants.

The following teachers were transferred: —

Miss H. D. Hinkley, an assistant, from the Rice to the Brimmer School District.

Miss Flora M. Proctor, a Primary teacher, from the Everett to the Rice School District.

Miss Amelia B. Coe, from head assistant to master's assistant, in the Bigelow School; and Miss Ellen Coe from assistant to head assistant in the Bigelow School; — to date from Sept. 6th.

The resignations of the following teachers were presented and accepted: —

Girls' High School. — S. Annie Shorey, teacher of Chemistry, to take effect Dec. 1st.

Bigelow School. — Clara E. Farrington, master's

assistant, and Lucinda P. Bowley, an assistant, to take effect Sept. 6th.

Everett School. — Clara Nelson, an assistant, to take effect Dec. 7th.

Harris School District. — Elizabeth F. Pearson, a Primary teacher, to take effect Dec. 1st.

Mather School. — Sarah E. Austin, an assistant, to take effect Dec. 11th.

West Roxbury School District. — Emily A. Hanna, an assistant, in the Mt. Vernon School, to take effect Dec. 31st.

The Chair called for the Quarterly Reports, which were then submitted by their titles, — on motion of Mr. Hutchins, — and accepted, and further time was granted to committees who omitted to present their reports at this meeting. Quarterly report.

The following orders were offered and referred to the Committee on Salaries: —

1. *Ordered*, That Miss Elizabeth E. Backup, an assistant in the Dearborn School, be placed upon the maximum salary, she having had long service as teacher in the Dearborn District, and other places. Salary of Miss Backup.

2. *Ordered*, That in consideration of her twelve years' previous experience as a teacher, Miss Emma E. Allin, an assistant in the Rice School District, be granted the maximum salary of her grade, the same being for the best interest of the school. Salary of Emma E. Allin.

3. *Ordered*, That Elizabeth G. Melcher and Julia A. Hodgkins, assistants in the Dwight School, in consideration of their long experience in schools of the same grade, be placed on a salary of $700 for the first year's service. Salary of Miss E. G. Melcher and Julia A. Hodgkins.

Deaf Mutes; services of A. G. Bell.

Mr. Slade offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the sum of one hundred dollars be paid to A. G. Bell, for services in the School for Deaf Mutes.

On motion of Mr. Brown the rules were suspended and the matter was referred to the Committee on Accounts, with full powers.

Dudley School; Miss Brady and Miss Boynton's terms of service.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland: —

Ordered, That the terms of service of Ruth H. Brady and Lucette S. Boynton of the Dudley School be recorded as beginning respectively Oct. 12th and Oct. 19th, 1874.

Services of W. C. F. Tracy.

On motion of Mr. Merrill: —

Ordered, That the Committee on Accounts be authorized to pay W. C. F. Tracy the sum of fifty dollars for services rendered this Board during the past year.

Report of Committee on School Houses: boundaries of Lewis and Atherton School sections: petition of C. E. Savell and others.

Mr. Noble read the report of the Committee on School Houses and School Sections upon the petition presented Nov. 9th from Charles E. Savell, Charles Cullis and others, respecting the boundary line between the Atherton and Lewis School Sections; and submitted for adoption the following order: —

Ordered, That, in so much of the Lewis School Section as lies south and east of Maple and Schuyler streets, Blue Hill avenue and Central avenue, including both sides of each, the parents of children now attending the Lewis School may be permitted to send them to the Atherton School, in the Gibson School District.

The Board rejected a motion by Mr. Toland to refer the petition and report to the next Board, and then adopted the order.

Report on communication of M. Aronson;

Mr. Walker, from the Committee on the Sherwin School District, to whom was referred, Nov. 9th, the

communication of Morris Aronson, reported that the committee had considered the petition, at a meeting at which the petitioner was present, and that the decision which was reached was satisfactory to all of the parties. Accepted.

Reports of Committee on Salaries:

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, submitted the following reports: —

Compensation to Wm. Briggs.

1. That the committee had approved the orders referred to them, with full powers, to pay Mr. William Briggs for special instruction in Drawing in the Normal School ($150, instead of $140); and that Mr. R. G. Chase be paid at the rate of the maximum salary of a master, for his service in the Wells School during a part of the present school year. Accepted.

Wells School; salary of R. G. Chase.

English High School; salary of messenger or clerk.

2. That the committee had established the salary of a messenger or clerk for the English High School at the rate of $600 per annum, from Dec. 1, 1875; and it is agreed with the committee on the said school, and the clerk referred to, that his hours of service shall be the same as those of the clerks in City Hall, with the privilege of a fortnight's vacation during each year; it is also agreed that the clerk employed shall be at least twenty-one years of age. Accepted.

Salary of Miss H. O. Noyes.

3. Upon the proposition — June 8th — that Miss Hannah O. Noyes, master's assistant in the Central School, West Roxbury, be paid a salary of $700 per annum, — recommending the passage of the following order: —

Ordered, That Miss Hannah O. Noyes be paid a salary of $700 from the commencement of her services.

The order was adopted.

Latin School; teachers for the lower classes.

Mr. Washburn offered the following, and moved a suspension of the rules for its passage. The rules were supsended and the order was adopted: —

Ordered, That the Latin School Committee be directed to nominate as many teachers for the lower four classes in that school as shall supply one instructor for every thirty-five scholars in those classes, with an additional teacher for an excess of twenty scholars; and that so much of the rules of the Board as would prevent said action be, during the present year, suspended.

Latin School; corporal punishment.

Mr. Washburn offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the Board be requested to suspend during the present year the rule forbidding corporal punishment in the High Schools, so far as that rule affects the lower four classes in the Latin School.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Parkman, to refer the order to the next Board.

Warren School; confirmations.

Ordered, on motion of Mr. Chapin, That Misses Dalton and Osgood, nominated at the last meeting of the Board as head assistants in the Warren School, be confirmed, in places of Misses McGowan and Hall, transferred to assistant's positions in the same school.

Comins School; services of Miss Graham.

Mr. Fitzgerald offered the following: —

Ordered, That Sarah M. Graham, late a temporary teacher in the sub-master's room in the Comins School, be paid at the rate of six dollars per day during her term of service in the above school, and that the amount be deducted from the sub-master's salary.

Considerable discussion was had upon the subject; and, the previous question being ordered, on motion of Mr. Toland, the question was taken, and the order was adopted.

Upon motion of Mr. Washburn: —

Centennial Exhibition in Philadelphia.

Ordered, That the President of this Board be authorized to apply to the proper authorities for such

space as may be needed for an exhibition of the system of the Boston Schools, at the Centennial exhibition to be held in Philadelphia.

On motion of Mr. Adams, of Ward 12: — Adjournment.

Voted, That when the Board adjourn it be to meet on Tuesday, Dec. 28th.

Mr. Brown offered the following order, and moved a suspension of the rules for its passage. The rules were suspended, and the order passed: — Brimmer School District; salary of the teacher of the "colony."

Ordered, That the teacher of the "colony" of the Brimmer School District shall have the rank and pay of a head-assistant.

On motion of Mr. Parkman: — Kindergarten School Committee to report in print.

Ordered, That the Kindergarten School Committee have leave to report in print.

Mr. Tilden moved to take from the table the nomination — made Oct. 12th — for a suspension of the rules, to allow the Committee on the Mayhew School District to nominate Mr. Frederic E. Whitney as *usher*. Mayhew School; usher.

Before taking the question, on motion of Mr. Toland the Board adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN, *Secretary*.

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Dec. 28, 1875.

A meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held, by adjournment, at the City Hall, on Tuesday, the twenty-eighth day of December, 1875, at half-past seven o'clock, P. M. Mr. Learnard, the Vice-President, in the Chair.

Upon calling the meeting to order, the Chair directed that the roll be called, to see if a quorum was present. The roll was called, and the following members responded thereto, viz. : — Roll-call.

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 1, Baldwin, Beaumont, Bigelow, Blakemore, Brown, Chapin, Cobb, of Ward 14, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Darling, Dillaway, Dunn, Fallon, Fennelly, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Frost, of Ward 17, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4, Gray, of Ward 10, Miss Hale, Messrs. Hutchins, Kinsley, Kneeland, Learnard, Leavitt, Locke, Marden, Miss May, Messrs. Murphy, Neal, Newcomb, Noble, Norton, Ordway, Parkman, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Plummer, Porter, of Ward 2, Reynolds, Ricker, Seaverns, Shattuck, Slade, Southworth, Still, Thayer, Toland, Tolman, Tripp, Tucker, Washburn, Wilbur, Williams, and Wilson. Members present.

Whereupon it appeared that there were fifty-eight members present, and a quorum.

The following-named members afterwards appeared and were present at the meeting, viz. : —

Mr. Adams, of Ward 12, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Boothby, Gaffney, Jenkins, McDonald, McDonough, Rankin, and Tuckerman.

Mayhew School; usher.

The Chair stated that the business before the meeting was the motion which was pending when the Board adjourned at the last meeting, — to take from the table the motion made Oct. 12th, for a suspension of the rules, to allow the Committee on the Mayhew School District to nominate Mr. Frederic E. Whitney as usher.

The motion to take from the table was carried.

The motion for a suspension of the rules was then adopted; and the Chair declared the nomination duly made.

Teachers confirmed, etc.

The following teachers were confirmed: —

Dwight School. — Elizabeth G. Melcher, an assistant.

Eliot School District. — Granville S. Webster, a sub-master; Isabel R. Haskins, an assistant, and Annie Gillespie and Emma Glawson, Primary teachers.

Lewis School District. — H. A. Cummings, an assistant, and Almira B. Russell, a Primary teacher.

Mather School. — Olive S. Boothby, head-assistant.

Rice School District. — Kate R. Gookin, a Primary teacher.

Shurtleff School District. — Alice G. Dolbeare and Alice Ryan, Primary teachers.

Brighton School District. — Persis B. Swett, an assistant, and Kate McNamara and Anna M. Farrington, Primary teachers — in the Brighton-Harvard District.

Nominations.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: —

Latin School. — Freeman Snow, teacher of History, and F. H. White, an usher.

West Roxbury High School. — Jennie R. Sheldon, an assistant, commencing Jan. 1st, 1876.

Bigelow School. — Alice J. Means, an assistant, commencing Sept. 6th.

Eliot School District. — Marcella E. Donagan, a Primary teacher, commencing Nov. 20th.

Gaston School District. — Harriet E. Marcy, head-assistant, commencing Sept. 1st, and Minnie L. Nichols, a Primary teacher, commencing Sept. 1st.

Lawrence School District. — W. E. C. Rich, an usher, commencing Nov. 15th, and Sarah E. Toland and Annie M. Conner, Primary teachers, commencing Nov. 11th.

Lewis School District. — Florence L. Shedd, a Primary teacher, commencing Dec. 1st.

Mather School. — Annette Glidden, an assistant, commencing Dec. 20th.

Mayhew School. — Frederic E. Whitney, an usher, commencing Oct. 12th.

Resignations.

The resignations of the following teachers were presented and accepted: —

West Roxbury High School. — Mary F. Lothrop, an assistant, to take effect Nov. 16th.

Gaston School. — Edith Leonard, an assistant, to take effect Dec. 1st.

West Roxbury School District. — H. O. Noyes, an assistant in the Central School, to take effect Jan. 1st, 1876.

Warren School; confirmations.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Darling, to reconsider the vote passed at the last meeting, whereby the Board confirmed Misses Dalton and Osgood as head-assistants in the Warren School.

It was then, on motion of Mr. Darling, —

Ordered, That Misses McGowan and Hall, nominated at the meeting of the Board, Nov. 9th, as head-assistants in the Warren School, be confirmed in places of Misses Dalton and Osgood, transferred to the places of assistant in the same school.

Maximum salary to Granville S. Webster.

Mr. Ricker offered the following order: —

Ordered, That the maximum salary be paid to Mr. Granville S. Webster, sub-master in the Eliot School, from Sept. 1st, 1875, in consideration of his long and faithful service in said school.

Referred with full powers to the Committee on Salaries.

Reports of Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, made the following reports: —

Roxbury High School: salaries of Misses Gardner.

1. Upon the order proposing that the salaries of Eliza D. Gardner and Helen F. Gardner, in the Roxbury High School, be increased from $1,000 to $1,200: — that the order ought not to pass. Accepted.

Salary of Emma E. Allin.

2. Upon the order proposing that Emma E. Allin, a Primary teacher in the Rice School District, be granted the maximum salary: — that the order ought not to pass. Accepted.

Salary of Miss Backup.

3. Upon the order proposing that Elizabeth E. Backup, an assistant in the Dearborn School, be placed upon the maximum salary: — that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order was adopted.

Salary of Misses Melcher and Hodgkins.

4. Upon the order proposing that Elizabeth G. Melcher and Julia A. Hodgkins, assistants in the Dwight school, be placed upon the salary of $700 for the first year's service: — that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order was adopted.

Salary of Martha A. Pope.

5. Upon the order proposing that the salary of Martha A. Pope be fixed at $700 per annum: — that the order ought to pass.

Accepted, and the order was adopted.

Miss A. F. Arnes; maximum salary.

6. Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, recommended that the salary of Miss A. F. Arnes be fixed at $700 from the date of her confirmation. The recommendation was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland: —

Voted, to reconsider the vote passed at the last meeting whereby the order was adopted changing the boundaries of the Lewis and Gibson School Sections. It was then, on motion of Mr. Seaverns, —

Boundaries of Lewis and Gibson sections.

Voted, to refer with full powers the subject of the said boundaries to the Committee on School Houses and School Sections.

Mr. Noble, from the Committee on School Houses and School Sections, submitted a report upon the order — Nov. 9th — directing that committee to consider and report upon the the propriety of establishing a new Grammar School Section upon the Back Bay territory: — recommending that the order and the accompanying papers be referred to the next School Committee. Accepted.

New Grammar School section on Back Bay; Report of Committee on School Houses, etc.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Shattuck, that the Committee on Sewing have leave to report in print.

Committee on Sewing to report in print.

Mr. Ordway offered the following order, and moved that it be referred to the next Board; and upon that motion moved that the yeas and nays be taken, which was voted: —

Ordered, That, hereafter, corporal punishment shall be abolished in all of our Grammar and Primary schools.

Corporal Punishment.

The yeas and nays were taken as follows: —

Yeas and Nays.

Yeas: Messrs. Baldwin, Bigelow, Blakemore, Filkins, Miss Hale, Messrs. Kinsley, Leavitt, McDonald, McDonough, Murphy, Newcomb, Norton, Ordway, Parkman, Porter, of Ward 2, Ricker, Tolman, Washburn, and Williams. — 19.

Nays: Messrs. Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 1, Beaumont, Boothby, Brown, Chapin, Cobb, of Ward 14, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Darling,

Dillaway, Dunn, Fallon, Fennelly, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Frost, of Ward 17, Gaffney, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4, Gray, of Ward 10, Hutchins, Kneeland, Locke, Marden, Miss May, Messrs. Neal, Noble, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Plummer, Reynolds, Seaverns, Slade, Southworth, Still, Thayer, Toland, Tripp, Tucker, Tuckerman, Wilbur and Wilson. — 42.

So the motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Brown: —

A more uniform organization of the Grammar Schools.

Voted, to take from the table the orders submitted Nov. 9th, relating to a more uniform organization of the Grammar Schools. Mr. Brown moved that a certain portion, which he designated, be indefinitely postponed. After debate the orders, on motion of Mr. Seaverns, were laid upon the table.

Comins School; services of Miss Graham.

Mr. Filkins moved a reconsideration of the vote passed at the last meeting, whereby it was ordered that Sarah M. Graham, late a temporary teacher in the sub-master's room in the Comins School, be paid at the rate of six dollars per day during her term of service in the above school, and that the amount be deducted from the sub-master's salary.

After a lengthy discussion of the matter, the previous question was ordered, on motion of Mr. Norton.

The question upon the order was then taken, and it appeared that a quorum did not vote.

Roll call.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland, it was voted that the roll be called, to see if a quorum was present.

The roll was called, and the following members responded, to wit: —

Messrs. Adams, of Ward 16, Allen, of Ward 1, Baldwin, Beaumont, Bigelow, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Blakemore, Brown, Chapin, Cobb, of Ward 14, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Dillaway, Dunn, Fallon,

Fennelly, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Frost, of Ward 17, Gorely, Gray, of Ward 4, Miss Hale, Messrs. Hutchins, Kinsley, Kneeland, Learnard, Locke, Marden, Miss May, Messrs. McDonough, Murphy, Neal, Newcomb, Noble, Norton, Parkman, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Plummer, Porter, of Ward 2, Rankin, Reynolds, Seaverns, Slade, Southworth, Still, Thayer, Thomson, Toland, Tolman, Tucker, Tuckerman, Walker, Washburn, Wilbur, Williams, and Wilson. — 57. Whereupon it appeared that a quorum was not present.

The meeting then, on motion of Mr. Kneeland, adjourned.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN, *Secretary.*

IN SCHOOL COMMITTEE, Jan. 4, 1876.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held at the City Hall, by order of the President of the Board, in accordance with the following request: —

"HON. SAMUEL C. COBB, *President:* —

SIR, — Please to call a meeting of the School Committee for Tuesday evening next, Jan. 4, 1876.

HENRY S. WASHBURN,	G. N. THOMSON,
SAMUEL B. CRUFT,	WILLARD S. ALLEN,
R. J. FENNELLY,	WILLIAM H. BALDWIN,
GEORGE H. PLUMMER,	GEORGE E. FILKINS,
J. COFFIN JONES BROWN,	JOHN NOBLE,
JOHN KNEELAND,	WM. H. NEWCOMB."

Mr. Wm. H. Learnard, Jr., Vice President, occupied the Chair.

Absent: Messrs. Andrews, Beckley, Boothby, Carty, Chaney, Cilley, Darling, Deblois, Dillaway, Fallon, Fennelly, Fraser, Frost, of Ward 17, Gaffney, Giddings, Gilbert, Gillespie, Locke, Lyndon, Maguire, McCarthy, McDonald, Merrill, Miles, Mills, Moran, Murphy, Newcomb, Norton, O'Connor, O'Kane, O'Neil, Perkins, Rankin, Seymour, Smalley, Still, Toland, Tolman, Underwood, Willard, Wilson, Wright, the President of the Board, and the President of the Common Council. Absent.

Mr. Reynolds called attention to two inaccuracies in papers offered at the last meeting, to wit: — Latin School teachers.

1. In the nomination of Freeman Snow, teacher of

history in the Latin School; that, in addition, said nomination should read, with the rank of *master*.

2. In the nomination of Mr. White, an usher, that the name should read W. H. White, instead of "F. H."

Comins School: service of Miss Graham.

The Chair stated the unfinished business before the meeting to be upon the order passed Dec. 15th, to wit: That Sarah M. Graham, late a temporary teacher in the sub-master's room in the Comins School, be paid at the rate of six dollars per day during her term of service in the above school; and that the amount be deducted from the sub-master's salary.

Said order having been reconsidered at the last meeting, and, the question recurring upon its adoption, a quorum not having voted, the Chair stated that the question now before the Board was upon the passage of the order.

Yeas and nays.

On motion of Mr. Fitzgerald, the yeas and nays were ordered, and were taken as follows: —

Yeas: Messrs. Allen, of Ward 12, Allen, of Ward 1, Mrs. Blake, Messrs. Brown, Campbell, Cobb, of Ward 14, Dunn, Filkins, Fitzgerald, Fletcher, Gorely, Greene, Miss Hale, Mr. Kinsley, Miss May, Messrs. Noble, Parkman, Miss Peabody, Messrs. Porter, of Ward 2, Quinn, Rice, Ricker, Shattuck, Tilden, Washburn, and Mrs. Wells. — 26.

Nays: Messrs. Adams, of Ward 16, Baldwin, Beaumont, Bigelow, Blakemore, Chapin, Miss Crocker, Messrs. Cruft, Curtis, Emery, Gray, of Ward 4, Gray, of Ward 10, Hayden, Hobbs, Hutchins, Kneeland, Leavitt, Marden, McDonough, Miller, Morse, Neal, Ordway, Plummer, Porter, of Ward 16, Reynolds, Ryan, Seaverns, Slade, Southworth, Thayer, Thomson, Tripp, Tucker, Tuckerman, Walker, Wilbur, Williams, and Williamson. — 39.

So the order was rejected.

The following teachers were confirmed: — Teachers confirmed.

Lowell School District. — Ella Mulliken, a Primary teacher.

Prescott School District. — Ernestine Ditson, a Primary teacher.

The following teachers were nominated as serving upon probation: — Nominations.

Lowell School District. — Isabella Shove, a Primary teacher, commencing Jan. 5th.

Stoughton School District. — Julia E. Worsley, a Primary teacher, commencing Jan. 1st.

Mr. Brown moved a reconsideration of the order passed Dec. 28th, whereby the salary of Martha A. Pope was fixed at $700 per annum. Salary of Martha A. Pope.

Mr. Brown then offered the following order as a substitute for the said order: —

Ordered, That the salary of Miss Martha A. Pope be fixed at $700 for the first year's service, on account of her services as teacher for several years.

The order passed.

Mr. Hobbs offered the following order: — Lowell School: salary of Geo. T. Wiggin.

Ordered, That George T. Wiggin, sub-master of the Lowell School, be paid the maximum salary, commencing Sept. 7, 1875, he having taught in that school during the year previous to that time.

Referred to the Committee on Salaries.

Mr. Baldwin formally announced to the Board the death of Eben R. Frost, and submitted for adoption the following resolutions: —

Resolved, That in the death of Eben R. Frost, of Ward 10, this Board has lost a valued and efficient member. Death of Eben R. Frost; resolutions.

Resolved, That we will ever cherish in grateful remembrance our late associate member, whose faithful

devotion to duty as a member of this Board and in the various walks of life, and whose high-toned character, demand from us at this time some expression of the loss which we have experienced.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family of our late associate member, with an expression of sympathy with them in their bereavement.

Mr. Shattuck advocated the resolves.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Shattuck, to take the question upon the resolutions by a rising vote.

The question was taken and the resolutions were adopted unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Kneeland: —

Employment of teachers of sewing: petition to Legislature.

Ordered, That the Committee on Sewing be authorized to petition the Legislature, on behalf of this Board, for the passage of an act legalizing the doings of the Board in reference to the employment of teachers of Sewing in the public schools.

Thanks to Wm. H. Learnard, Jr., Vice-President.

Mr. Ordway, with appropriate remarks, offered the following resolution: —

Resolved, That the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to the Hon. William H. Learnard, Jr., for the very able and impartial manner in which he has discharged the duties of Vice-President of the Board during the past year.

Remarks were made by Mr. Washburn, after which the resolution was adopted, unanimously, by a rising vote.

Mr. Learnard responded.

On motion of Mr. Shattuck: —

Thanks to the Secretary.

Ordered, That the thanks of this Board be and are hereby presented to the Secretary of this Board, for the long and faithful services he has performed in it.

Mr. Shattuck moved and it was voted to accept the report of the Committee on Sewing: — said committee having reported in print, and the reports being upon the desks of the members at this meeting.

Report of Committee on Sewing.

Mr. Thayer, Chairman of the Committee appointed to prepare the Annual Report of the School Committee, submitted manuscript of said report; and moved that the usual number of copies be printed for distribution, — which motion passed.

Annual Report of the School Committee.

Mr. Brown, from the Committee on Salaries, reported upon the order — Dec. 28th — proposing that the maximum salary be paid to Mr. Granville S. Webster, sub-master in the Eliot School, etc.: — that said order ought not to pass. The report was accepted.

Report of Committee on Salaries: maximum salary to G. S. Webster.

The Chair submitted the following petitions: —

Petitions: from A. Prince as to Jewish children;

1. From A. Prince, 124, West Concord street, respecting the attendance of Jewish children upon the public schools on the Jewish Sabbath.

2. From S. S. Rawlings and others, — voters and residents of Egleston Square, in Ward 23, — asking that such a school-house be built in the neighborhood as, in the judgment of the Board, the necessities require.

S. S. Rawlings, etc.: school-house in Egleston square;

Both of the above, on motion of Mr. Fitzgerald, were referred to the next Board.

3. A communication from J. P. Mendum, to His Honor the Mayor, offering room in the Paine Memorial Building for the accommodation of the Rice School. The communication was placed on file.

J. P. Mendum: Paine Memorial Building.

Mr. Baldwin offered the following: —

Ordered, That the thanks of this Board be presented to the messengers of the Board, — Mr. Peters and his assistants, — for the faithful and prompt performance of their duties. Passed.

Thanks to the messengers.

Unfinished business.

Voted, on motion of Mr. Ordway, that all unfinished business, now in the hands of committees, be referred to the next Board.

Adjournment.

Voted to adjourn, — on motion of Mr. Allen, of Ward 1.

Attest:

BARNARD CAPEN,
Secretary.

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